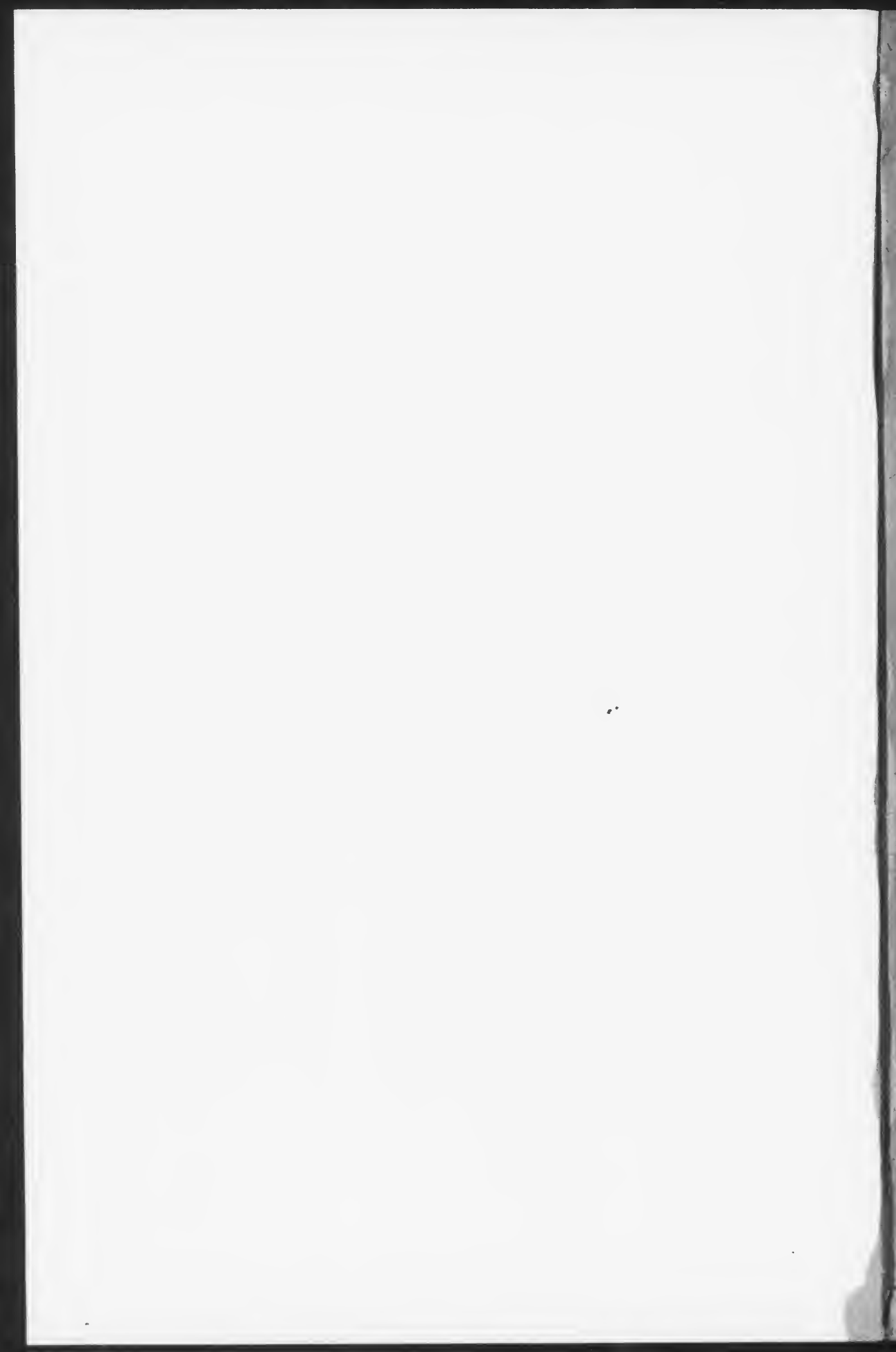




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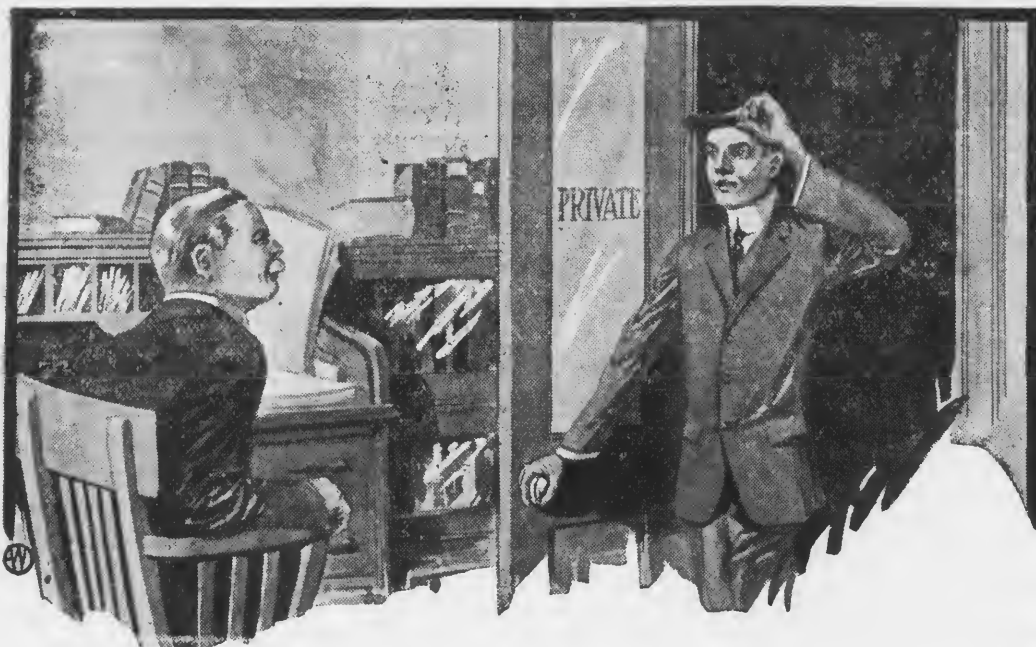
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J. W. GRAY—Fisher's Manual of Christian Evidences.

All persons intending to apply for admission on trial will write to the President of the Conference for official blanks, on which application should be made.

All students in the Preparatory Course are required to present a written sermon to the President of the Faculty on or before February 1st of each Conference year.

First Year's Class

- T. H. LEWIS—Theology.
J. L. ELDERDICE—Broadus' Preparation and Delivery of Sermons.
A written sermon submitted February 1st.
T. O. CROUSE—English and Elocution. "Outlines of Rhetoric" by John F. Genung, and "Public Speaking and reading," by E. N. Kirby.
Students will be examined in the theories and rules of Rhetoric and Elocution, and assisted in their practical application.
J. M. HOLMES—Nicholl's Help to the Study of the Bible.
J. W. GRAY—Drinkhouse's History of Methodist Reform, Vol. I.

Students—C. M. Adams, W. F. Bauscher, J. A. Dudley, A. W. Ewell, E. W. Simms, W. F. Wright.

Seminarians prepare and forward thesis on "Proofs of the Existence of God" to Dr. Lewis on or before February 1st, 1913.

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- H. L. ELDERDICE—Miley's Theology, Vol. I, complete.
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W. M. STRAYER—Fisher's Church History. (Complete).
J. E. MALOY—Drinkhouse's History of Methodist Reform, Vol. II.
D. L. GREENFIELD—A written sermon submitted February 1st.

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Seminarians prepare and forward thesis on "Regeneration," to D. L. Greenfield on or before February 1st, 1913.

Third Year's Class

F. T. BENSON—Miley's Theology, Vol. II. A written sermon submitted by January 1st.

W. R. GRAHAM—Lewis' The Divine Credentials.

▲. W. MATHER—Miller's Christian Ministry.

The following books are to be read by the class and a written Syllabus presented to the examiners at the time indicated:

W. R. GRAHAM—Peck's "The Revival and the Pastor," submitted November 1st.

▲. W. MATHER—Buckley's "Theory and Practice of Extemporaneous Preaching," submitted February 1st.

Students—W. C. Mumford, J. R. Wright.

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All students to be examined in Hebrew and Greek will appear before **H. L. ELDERDICE**, in Hebrew. 1st year, Ruth, or selections from the Psalms; 2nd year, Malachi, or selections from Isaiah; 3rd year, Jonah, or selections from Job.

J. W. KIRK, in Greek—1st Peter, 1st chapter.

J. L. MILLS will deliver a lecture on the Theory and Practice of our Church Government, and every student is required to attend this lecture and examination, and also to answer the question: "Have you spent a portion of each day in private study of the Word and in prayer?"

The Faculty meets on Tuesday, at 10.00 a. m., to examine students, and at 7.30 p. m., for business.

Correct answers to two-thirds of the questions asked will be required to pass a candidate either for reception on trial or into any class of the course, or for orders. Two-thirds will be marked 70. All questions answered, or less three, will be marked 100, and all receiving 100 will be reported to the Conference.

J. L. MILLS, President.

J. W. KIRK, Secretary.

JOURNAL

First Day—Wednesday

Laurel, Delaware,

April 10, 1912.

At nine o'clock the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church convened in the eighty-fourth session in the Laurel, Delaware, Church, Wednesday, April 10, 1912. President Sheridan called the Conference to order and read two passages of scripture. Following the prayer by the president, hymn 205 of the Methodist Protestant Hymnal, "We are Watching, We are Waiting", was sung. The pastor of the church, Avery Donovan, stated that a welcome address was programmed for last evening. There being no meeting then it became the pleasure of the Conference to hear the address at this time by Rev. Mr. Race of St. Phillip's Protestant Episcopal Church. [This address was to have been printed in the Minutes, but the Secretary was unable to procure a copy of it.—Secretary].

The president read his annual report. Two ministers have deceased, S. A. Hoblitzell and J. D. Kinzer; two ministers' wives, Mrs. Avery Donovan and Mrs. J. M. Holmes; four widows, Mrs. C. M. Thompson, Mrs. E. J. Drinkhouse, Mrs. W. F. Livingston and Mrs. J. E. Read also have died. Unsupplied charges were cared for. S. W. Rosenberger, Clayborne Phillips and C. E. McCullough were released from their appointments and J. R. Horsey had been ordained. The various institutions of the Conference and Boards of the Church occupied a part of the report. Eleven churches and six parsonages were completed, five churches are under construction. Over 2000 members were received and bequests aggregating over \$19,000 have been made. The statement concerning the local option situation was interrupted by applause. J. E. Maloy put the question of the President's character, which was passed. (Report A).

The bar of the Conference was fixed to include the first nine pews across the Church. Recess was taken at 10:20 until the order of the day.

The order of the day 10:30, the Conference sermon. The Conference sang hymn 477, "God speed the Gospel". F. T. Little made the prayer.

S. J. Smith, who has been ill for several years, being present, was here given an opportunity of telling of his fight with disease and of expressing his affection for the brethren. A. N. Ward read the Scripture from Mark 1:29 to the end of the chapter. The Conference sang hymn 154, "O Where is he that trod the sea", and L. F. Warner, the Conference appointee, preached the sermon, using as his text Mark 12:37, "And the common people heard him gladly". The sacrament of the Lord's supper followed, and was administered by the president assisted by F. T. Little, W. D. Litsinger, C. S. Arnett and A. N. Ward. Benediction was pronounced by the president at 12:30.

Afternoon

At two o'clock the president called for order. The secretary read his report as committee on credentials noting 14 irregularities in credentials, the absence of credentials from Campbell, St. Paul, Middleway, Prince George; as committee on transportation that no special rate could be secured, and as committee on publishing minutes that \$51.80 was on hand. The report was adopted, which carried with it the placing on the roll of the delegates whose credentials were irregular. (Report B).

Roll call by the secretary. The name of J. D. Kinzer was transferred to the dead roll, the secretary stating that letters were in hand from W. M. Strayer, J. L. Straughn, J. M. Gill, E. A. Warfield and Clayborne Phillips, who were absent. The following alternates were placed on the list of delegates: Owen C. Morris from Baltimore Circuit; Alvey P. Alderton from Cumberland Circuit; S. J. Lowe from Sharptown; and C. D. Pusey from Trinity.

The president read the list of standing committees. (See List).

The Committee on Program read its report, which had been printed by the local church for general distribution, and recommended the suspension of the manuel rules for morning worship and ordination sermon to conform to program. It was adopted. (Report Q).

G. A. Morris called the attention of the Conference to resolution 11 of the 1909 Conference respecting the limitation of the presidential term to 3 years.

The question of the bar of the house was discussed, amended to include the tenth pew to become effective Thursday morning and finally amended to return to the original motion for the 9 pews.

The order of the day, the election of Conference officers was begun. The following were the tellers: E. C. Makosky, J. E. Litsinger, H. K. Muller and A. B. Stine. By a motion of J. E. Maloy, the Conference proceeding to the election of officers, the secretary was instructed to call the roll and members to come forward and deposit ballots. The roll was called and ballots deposited. J. S. Bowers received 103, W. R. Graham 100, W. S. Phillips 19, J. W. Kirk 2, J. W. Trout 1, G. W. Haddaway 1, F. T. Benson 1. There was no election. The second ballot resulted as follows: J. S. Bowers 111, W. R. Graham 104, W. S. Phillips 12. The third ballot was, J. S. Bowers 112, W. R. Graham 102, W. S. Phillips 12. The fourth ballot was, J. S. Bowers 114, W. R. Graham 97, W. S. Phillips 11. Total of 222 votes, necessary to a choice 112. J. S. Bowers was declared elected, and was presented to the president by C. M. Cullum and George A. Price. The president presented the gavel to the newly-elected president and extended to him his congratulations. The new president addressed the Conference.

On motion, J. H. Straughn cast the unanimous vote of the Conference for W. S. Phillips as secretary.

J. M. Sheridan asked to be excused from the Conference until Friday because of a death in his family.

The secretary stated that the Conference steward was absent from Conference. On motion of T. H. Lewis, Conference adjourned at 4:40 and D. L. Greenfield led in prayer.

Evening

The evening session was devoted to a discussion of the Men and Religion Forward Movement as it applies to the country church. Mr. W. O. Atwood presided and was assisted in the service by F. T. Tagg and W. S. Phillips. Rev. James H. MacDonald of Newark, N. J., delivered the address.

Second Day—Thursday

The morning prayer meeting was led by E. O. Ewing. The minutes were read and adopted. J. M. Sheridan stated his inability to make train connections and that he would remain at Conference. The president appointed G. W. Haddaway to succeed him on the Committee on Church Extension, and Louis Randall to succeed G. W. Haddaway on the Board of

Finance. The roll of absentees of yesterday was called. The unfinished business of yesterday was here taken up. On two separate motions of T. H. Lewis, E. H. Jones was elected Conference Steward for this session and for 1913 by a vote of the secretary. F. T. Little made a motion that the secretary cast the ballot of the Conference for C. P. Nowlin as Conference Treasurer for 1913 which was done.

The secretary named as his assistants J. H. Straughn, G. I. Humphreys and G. J. Hooker.

The vote for Standing District Committee was ordered. C. R. Strausburg, E. L. Beauchamp, T. W. Donoho and G. A. Price were appointed tellers.

The vote was taken. J. E. Nicholson moved that for all elections the tellers be permitted to retire and count the ballots, which was adopted.

The vote for Committee on Appeals was taken. J. F. Bryan, H. S. Johnson, A. B. Stine, and T. W. Mather were the tellers and retired to make the count.

Rev. L. T. Widerman, agent for the Maryland Bible Society, was introduced and addressed the Conference.

The roll of charges was called that communications from charges might be deposited on Secretary's table.

The order for 10 o'clock was observed and pastors in response to a roll call deposited their reports. The Conference Steward appointed F. P. Krauss and J. R. Wright as his assistants.

The request of the president of Western Maryland College to read his report was granted. The average number of students are in attendance and 30 will be graduated this June. The report suggests that the pastors continue their activity in securing students. The endowment has been increased to \$75,000.00. A new recitation building is contemplated. By common consent the report went to the Committee on Literature and Education. (See Report I).

A resolution signed by W. S. Phillips, concerning the grouping of charges according to cities and towns and the appending of the state abbreviations to those charges out of Maryland, was adopted. (Resolution 1).

The president of the Union of Young People's Work, F. T. Benson, read his report. The report relates to the various tried methods now employed in working with young people and outlines the definite work of the Union in Increase and Efficiency Campaign, in Missions and in Adult Bible

Classes. The petition in the report for a Conference Brotherhood was by request of the president of the Union referred to a special committee of 5 (Report W), and the remaining part of the report to the Committee on Young People's Work. (Report K).

D. L. Greenfield was appointed to the vacancy of chairman of Committee on Missions, occasioned by the release of J. M. Brown.

A resolution by A. W. Mather called for changes in Regulations 2 and 6, page 111 of 1911 minutes, affecting the distribution of the two funds of the Superannuate Fund Society, and the changes of a claimant question to "What is your private income?"

T. H. Lewis moved to make the resolution a special order for Friday at 11:30. After discussion the motion was lost. The order of the day for eleven o'clock was postponed for 15 minutes. During the discussion the time was again extended, and the Secretary moved to refer the resolution to a special committee of 2 ministers and 2 laymen. There was discussion and a motion to lay on table was lost. The paper was then referred. (See Report H).

F. C. Klein stated that the secretary of the Home Mission Board was indisposed and on motion, Rev. G. R. Brown, Secretary-Treasurer of the Board of Ministerial Education, exchanged places with him on the Conference program.

Dr. Brown was introduced to the Conference together with Rev. C. H. Hubbell, D. D., Secretary of the Board of Young People's Work, each of whom addressed the Conference relative to their respective work.

The addresses concluded shortly before the hour of adjournment. The president, after an announcement concerning his receiving members of the Conference, announced these two special committees: On Annual Conference Brotherhood, W. S. Phillips, T. O. Crouse, F. T. Benson, W. C. Perkins, and F. M. Wilson. On the resolution affecting the Superannuate regulations, J. M. Sheridan, A. N. Ward, F. D. Holloway and E. B. Fenby.

Recess was taken at 12:00 with benediction by J. W. Trout.

Afternoon

At two o'clock the Secretary stated that the President was absent and by a vote of the Conference, J. M. Sheridan took the chair.

The tellers reported on the vote for the Standing District Committee, resulting as follows: Ministers, F. T. Little, W. R. Graham, J. M. Sheri-

dan; Laymen, T. P. Fisher, T. A. Murray and W. G. Baker.

The vote for the Committee on Appeals elected J. L. Mills, A. W. Mather, J. W. Kirk, E. B. Fenby, A. R. Lewis, and T. E. Harrison.

T. H. Lewis rose to a question of personal privilege, reading sections of an article from the Baltimore Sun, and denying the statements therein relating to him. G. A. Morris offered a resolution that this Conference emphatically condemn the article. The Secretary offered a substitute which was amended to refer the matter to a special committee of three, and was so adopted. (See Report AA).

A resolution was offered by J. W. Trout that a memorial service, in charge of D. L. Greenfield, be held Saturday afternoon at two o'clock at the graves of the ministers and widows of this Conference in the Laurel Cemetery. It was adopted. (Resolution 2).

The president coming in took the chair.

F. T. Tagg was given the floor and speaking appreciatively asked that J. W. Gray be given a superannuate relation, the president, T. H. Lewis, J. W. Balderston, and J. M. Sheridan, each expressing their regard for J. W. Gray and his long ministry. The request was granted and referred to the Superannuates Committee.

A request from the local entertainment committee of the General Conference in Baltimore, that the same assessment for General Conference expenses be made as in 1908, and the residue after paying the representatives' expense with that already on hand be put at its disposition. It was adopted. (Resolution 3).

The order of the day was observed, addresses being made by C. H. Beck, Secretary-Treasurer of the Board of Home Missions, and F. C. Klein, Secretary-Treasurer of the Board of Foreign Missions.

The special committee to act on the Sun article was appointed as follows: F. T. Little, J. W. Kirk, John H. Baker. By a motion of the Secretary this special committee shall have power to act and hand to him their report to be telegraphed to the Sun tonight. It was adopted.

Two invitations to entertain the next session of Conference, one from Lynchburg, the other from Milford, were read and according to rule were laid on the table for twenty-four hours.

At 3:55 the order was observed, the reading of the Dead Roll by Dorsey Blake. The obituary of John D. Kinzer was read by H. L. Elderdice, and J. L. Mills read the obituary of S. A. Hoblitzell.

Following a number of eulogies by various Conference members, the report of the special committee on the Baltimore Sun article was read by F. T. Little, condemning in strong language the article and recommending that it be telegraphed to the Sun for publication. The report was adopted by a rising vote. (Report AA).

After announcements, adjournment was taken at five o'clock, A. W. Mather pronouncing the benediction.

Evening

William Knowles Cooper, General Secretary of the Washington, D. C. Young Men's Christian Association, made the principal address at the evening session on "The Adolescent Boy". Rev. F. T. Benson, the president of the Union of Young People's Work, was the presiding officer and was assisted in the service by Louis Randall. Short addresses were made by the department heads of the Union and by Rev. C. H. Hubbell.

Third Day—Friday

J. W. Norris conducted the morning worship. At nine o'clock the minutes of yesterday were read and approved. By motion of J. E. Nicholson, T. R. Woodford was continued as Treasurer of the General Conference Fund.

Letters were received from J. L. Straughn, R. S. Rowe, W. M. Strayer, and Clayborne Phillips. The requests of J. L. Straughn and R. S. Rowe for continuance of superannuate relation were granted and referred to the appropriate committee. The letter from W. M. Strayer contained the news of Mrs. Strayer's precarious health. Clayborne Phillips indicates an improvement in his health, and states that he is preaching regularly. His request to be left without appointment for one year was referred to the Committee on Official Relations. The Secretary, by a motion of A. W. Mather, was instructed to reply to all of these letters.

Reports were referred without reading to the Committee on Literature and Education with the understanding that they be read with the committee's report.

The report of the Board of Managers of Our Church Home was read, that 16 of our people are making their homes there; that the income is insufficient to meet the expense of the Home and that continuous borrow-

ing from the permanent fund is necessary. The report of the Treasurer and of the Board of Lady Visitors was also given. All of the report, except that referring to the financial condition, was referred to the Committee on Benevolent Agencies (See Report M) and the excepted item was by a motion of D. L. Greenfield to be given to a special committee to be created by the President. (See Report M).

A resolution, offered by J. W. Trout, affects the boundaries of the Conference and memorializes the General Conference to make certain definition applying to Southern Pennsylvania. It was adopted. (Resolution 4).

The Committee on President's Report is gratified with the fine work of the Conference this year and commends the report of the president. The report was adopted. (See Report A).

The report of the Agent of President's Parsonage gives the financial statement and the report was sent to the Board of Finance for audit. (See Reports A and E).

The Deaconess Board made its report that Miss Jefferson has been graduated and is at work, and Miss Perrin is now studying. Nine circles are in Baltimore. A request for a \$1,000 annual assessment upon the District is made. The report was ordered sent to a special committee. (See Report S). By a motion of H. K. Muller, an order was set for Monday at three o'clock to hear the Deaconesses.

The president announced the special committee on the Church Home financial condition: W. R. Graham, J. M. Sheridan, A. W. Mather, H. K. Muller, and F. M. Wilson.

M. E. Hungerford, collector for sexton, reported \$45.00 on hand. The money was ordered to be delivered to the pastor of the church and the collector discharged.

The letter from E. A. Warfield requests assignment to Western Maryland College, and no action was taken because his official request was already in.

The resolution respecting teachers' garb in governmental schools was referred to a special committee composed of L. F. Warner, J. H. Straughn and J. B. Jones. (See Report X).

The resolution of H. L. Schlincke requesting Rev. A. E. Race to permit the publication of his welcome address in the Conference Minutes was adopted. (Resolution 5). [The address is not published because the secretary could not procure a copy of it].

The order of the day, the hearing of the report of the Committee on Literature and Education, was postponed for twenty-four hours.

The rules were suspended at the request of the president, who introduced Mr. W. H. Anderson, Superintendent of the Maryland Anti-Saloon League. Mr. Anderson was received with applause. When he had concluded, a resolution by W. C. Perkins assures Mr. Anderson of our unbounded confidence in his integrity and pledges to the League our continued support. It was adopted. (Resolution 6).

The report of the special committee appointed last Conference on the formation of a Maryland Conference Historical Society declares for an organization with headquarters at the Book Room and appends a Constitution and By-Laws. It was adopted. (Report U).

A resolution offered by T. O. Crouse approves the Family-Altar League, and suggests that our pastors acquaint themselves with it. It was adopted. (Resolution 7).

Special Committee on Deaconess Report: T. O. Crouse, J. W. Kirk, W. S. Hanks, N. J. Wimbrow, and T. P. Fisher.

The report of the Trustees of the Maryland Annual Conference recommends the filling of vacancies on the Board and submits the report of the Treasurer. The paper was adopted. (Report D). The resignation of S. J. Smith was accepted. G. W. Haddaway was elected to the vacancy of 1913. Those terms expiring this year were elected as follows: A. W. Mather and E. C. Makosky, ministers; T. W. Donoho and J. W. Hering, laymen.

The Committee to visit the President of the United States concerning the Peace Treaties, appointed last Conference, reported the performance of its duty and the report was accepted. (Report V).

Mr. J. W. Aden, representing the Pennsylvania Railroad system, was introduced to the Conference and made an appeal that we assist the railroad against trespassing on the track. The president designated F. T. Little to reply to Mr. Aden.

The president introduced Mrs. C. B. Newman of Baltimore, and she spoke to the Conference about the Methodist Hospital, indicating the various efforts of the Methodist women to provide an equipment.

The secretary states that the Baltimore Sun had printed the sense of the telegram sent it referring to the publication of yesterday.

Delegate from Dover excused until Monday. The Statistical Steward reported 28,131 full members in the District.

It was moved to suspend the rules and to have a session of the Conference after the meeting of the Electoral College. The vote being doubted the standing vote showed a majority for the session.

J. E. Nicholson pronounced the benediction at 12:15 o'clock.

Afternoon

The session opened at 2:40 o'clock upon the adjournment of the Electoral College. The resolution of W. C. Perkins, requesting the publication of L. F. Warner's sermon to the Conference, was adopted. (Resolution 8). A. W. Mather and F. T. Little were recognized and each gave expression of their appreciation of the sympathy and friendship extended during their illness of the year. The president feelingly made response.

A resolution by J. L. Nichols calls for the planting of a new church in the western part of Wilmington, Delaware, and the appointment of an experienced man to the charge. There was a motion to refer the paper to the Committee on Church Extension. A substitute motion was made after discussion to refer the matter to a special committee. The point was made that the proper reference was to the Committee on Church Enterprise. The point was sustained and the original motion was withdrawn carrying with it the substitute. The paper was then referred to the proper committee. (See Report P).

The Committee on Pulpit Supply read its report which was adopted.

An invitation from the Chestertown Church to entertain the next session of the Conference was read and according to rule was laid on the table for twenty-four hours.

G. A. Morris offered a resolution amending the rules affecting Suffrage and Eligibility, granting to women the right to hold office in the church, and to become delegates to the Annual Conference.

By a motion, the bar of the house was removed for the evening service. Announcements. Adjournment was had at 4:05 with the benediction by S. J. Smith.

Evening

The program was devoted to a discussion of Home and Foreign Missions with F. C. Klein presiding. C. H. Beck made an address on Home Missions and Chaplain George Stevenson, of the United States Navy, spoke on "Missions around the World with the Atlantic Fleet."

Fourth Day—Saturday

J. F. Wooden conducted the morning prayer service. The minutes were read and approved. The partial report of the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders was read. Item 1, recommending the reception of C. M. Adams, W. F. Bauscher, J. H. Dudley, A. W. Ewell, E. W. Simms and W. E. Wright, on trial, was adopted by names. Item 2, that H. E. Norris be placed in the hands of the president, was adopted. Item 3, recommended the ordination of R. W. Coe, J. H. Dudley, R. Y. Nicholson, and W. C. Mumford. As is the custom, the candidates presented themselves before the altar of the Church and gave pledge in open Conference to continue their course of study. The recommendation was adopted. Item 4, passes students in course and through the course of study; it was adopted, and the partial report of the Faculty was adopted. (Report F.)

At 10:00 the Conference gave place to the Electoral College, resuming at 10:35.

The pastor of the church stated that the delegate from Harrington was ill. T. H. Lewis moved the appointment of a Committee to visit him, and W. C. Perkins and J. C. Godwin were designated. The Committees scheduled to report at the regular time not being ready the Conference took up the unfinished business, the resolution of G. A. Morris affecting eligibility and suffrage. F. T. Tagg moved to lay the resolution on the table. The point was made by T. H. Lewis that F. T. Tagg having prefaced his motion by remarks no opportunity of rebuttal was open. The point was sustained by the chair and the motion was ruled out of order. T. H. Lewis moved the reference to the churches for their action and to report at next Conference. The motion was lost and by a motion of L. B. Smith, it was laid on the table.

H. L. Elderdice moved that the men elected to membership in the Conference on trial present themselves at the altar of the Church for their formal reception. The president observed the order at 11:00 o'clock. Several delegates were excused from further attendance. The secretary moved that this session continue until 12:30 o'clock and reconvene at 2:30. It was amended that the Conference reassemble after the Electoral College, and that the Memorial Service in the Cemetery be held at 3:30. The motion then prevailed in its amended form.

The report of the Committee on Literature and Education. The first

report was on that of the Baltimore Book Directory. The Committee congratulates the Agent upon the gains made during the year in the Sunday school and book department, and laments the decrease in the numbers of subscribers to the Methodist Protestant. On motion, the Editor and Agent were heard and after their remarks the item was adopted and the remainder of the report was made the order for 10:00 o'clock Monday morning. (See Report I).

By motion of J. W. Trout, J. E. Litsinger, S. B. Tredway, and L. W. Hurley were made to decorate graves in Seaford of our ministers and wives. Recess at 12:30.

Afternoon

Conference opened at 2:50 with a motion calling F. T. Little to the chair. The report of the Committee on Moral Reform was read by J. L. Nichols. It lays emphasis upon the present demoralized situation in the political world due to the influence of the saloon, and pledges this Conference to use its utmost power to destroy the liquor traffic. It was adopted. (Report L).

The Treasurer of the General Conference fund reported \$287.94 on hand and the report was accepted. (Report R).

Two memorials from North Baltimore Church to go to the General Conference, the one concerning the amalgamation of various Boards of the Church, the other the uniting of our mission work in Japan with the Methodist work, were referred to a special committee with instructions to report Tuesday morning at 10:00 o'clock. (See Report Y).

At 3:30 Conference gave way to the Electoral College, resuming at 3:50.

The Historical Society was organized with the following officers by ballot: President, J. W. Trout; First Vice-President, E. T. Read; Second Vice-President, L. B. Smith; Secretary, J. H. Straughn; Treasurer, T. R. Woodford; Librarian, Robert F. Hayes. At 4:10 F. T. Tagg pronounced the benediction.

Fifth Day—Sunday

The Ordination Service. Hymn 465, "Draw near, O Son of God", was sung, and D. L. Greenfield offered the prayer. The lesson was read from II Corinthians, fifth chapter. The Conference appointee, S. W. Coe, an-

nounced as his text for the ordination sermon, II Corinthians, 5:20, "Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you through us, we pray you in Christ's stead be ye reconciled to God". At the conclusion of the sermon the Secretary called the names of Robert Wood Coe, James Allen Dudley, William Collins Mumford, Reuben Young Nicholson, candidates for ordination. They were presented to the President who assisted by J. M. Sheridan, F. T. Little, J. L. Mills, D. L. Greenfield, and S. W. Coe, ordained them to the office of elder in the Church of Christ.

Afternoon

The afternoon sermon was preached by J. M. Holmes, after which an offering for the new church edifice was taken, amounting to \$2800.00.

Evening

In the evening T. H. Lewis preached the sermon on Missions.

Sixth Day—Monday

G. R. Hodge led the prayer meeting. At nine o'clock the secretary announced the absence of the president and by motion, J. M. Sheridan took the chair. The minutes were read and approved. J. F. Bryan read the report of the Church Enterprise Committee on the resolution concerning the Wilmington Church referred to it. (Report P). It contained a recommendation that a Church Extension Evangelist be appointed, and by motion of the reader the report was referred to the Church Extension Committee. (See Report G).

The Benevolent Agencies Committee recommended the same assessment of \$1500 for Our Church Home and the taking of a public collection for the Bible and Tract Societies. The report was adopted. (Report M).

The special Committee appointed on the financial condition of Our Church Home recommended the denomination of the Sunday prior to Thanksgiving Day as "Our Church Home Day", and that subscriptions be received then for the Home. It was adopted. (See Report M).

J. M. Sheridan reported for the special committee to whom was referred the resolution affecting the superannuate regulations, concurring in the recommendations, and recommending the appointment of a special

committee of five to take into consideration a revision of the constitution of the Society. T. H. Lewis offered a substitute for the report, on the basis of present unconstitutionality, which is on a pension basis rather than of need. Item 3 shall be changed, that appropriation shall be governed on the basis of resources of the Society and the needs of superannuates, and that apportionments shall be on the basis of ten dollars for each year of active service for ministers and five dollars for widows. If resources are sufficient, a second apportionment shall be made where a need appears. If resources are insufficient then on a pro rata basis, but never beyond the actual need of the beneficiary. Item 6 of present regulation is stricken out. Item 7 is changed to 6 and questions are added concerning income and assessed value of property. That blanks answering these questions must be returned by March 20; and rescind the 1911 recommendations of the Board of Managers, pages 66 and 67. The order of the day was extended indefinitely. C. P. Nowlin offered a resolution referring the whole matter to a special committee of 5 to report next Conference. It was not referred. The motion for the substitute was lost by a standing vote and the original committee's report was adopted. (See Report H).

Conference adjourned for Electoral College at 11:30, and reconvened at 11:55. A. W. Mather read the report of the Committee on Superannuates and according to rule it was laid on the secretary's table for twenty-four hours. The item granting the request of J. W. Gray for a superannuate relation was adopted. (Report H).

Afternoon

The Secretary read a letter from J. M. Gill regretting his first absence from the Maryland Annual Conference and sends his greetings. The letter went to the Committee on Official Relations.

The committee to decorate graves in Seaford, Delaware, reported through J. E. Litsinger the performance of its duty.

A resolution amending Rule 5, section 2, adding to the list of standing Committees one on "Our Church Home" was adopted. (Resolution 9).

The resolution was adopted requesting the Book Concern Agent to publish a new edition of the Manual edited by F. T. Little. (Resolution 10).

J. M. Sheridan submitted a report showing that churches had con-

tributed \$206.30 to the Milford Church through the means advocated last year in having one from each church to secure funds. The statement was accepted, and was ordered printed in the journal.

The second and third item of the report of the Committee on Literature and Education brought with it the report of the Board of Governors of the Westminster Theological Seminary (See Report I), the report of Western Maryland College already having been read. The Seminary reports 15 Seniors, a list of churches visited, the completion of the North Carolina College; two legacies of \$2500 and of \$1000; the calling of H. L. Freeman to the chair of Biblical and Practical Theology, requesting the same assessment as last year and the assignment of H. L. Elderdice as President. The item on Western Maryland College concurs in the program of the College and was adopted. Item 3 bears on the Seminary report and concurs in the recommendation. It was adopted and the report as a whole was adopted. (Report I).

The Electoral College went into session at 2:30 and at 2:50 was again in session. Miss Nettie C. Perrin and Miss Evelyn Jefferson, our deaconesses, were introduced to and addressed the Conference. They very favorably impressed the Conference and several complimentary replies were made by Conference members.

A partial report of the Committee on Church Extension, that \$1007.52 be borrowed to meet deficiencies and levying the same assessment as last year, was adopted. (Report G).

The special committee on Brotherhood advocates memorializing the General Conference to organize a Methodist Protestant Brotherhood and the appointment of a committee of 5 to organize a Maryland Conference Brotherhood. The report was adopted. (Report W).

The president appointed as a committee on the memorials to the General Conference from North Baltimore Church, T. H. Lewis, F. T. Little, F. C. Klein, T. P. Fisher, and H. T. Mason.

Rev. S. N. Pilchard, of the Delmar Methodist Episcopal Church, was introduced.

Electoral College was in session from 3:40 to 3:50.

The invitations to entertain the next session of Conference were taken from the table and speeches from the pastors and delegates from the inviting churches, Lynchburg, Milford, and Chestertown, were heard. The first ballot was:—Lynchburg 73, Chestertown 64, Milford 25. The second

ballot gave Lynchburg 88, Chestertown 67, and Milford 8. The delegate from Chestertown, seconded by the pastor from Milford, moved to make the acceptance of Lynchburg's invitation unanimous. The motion prevailed.

The Chairman appointed the following guards of the bar of the house: W. P. Roberts and N. C. Clough, G. A. Price and Henry Schaefer, and adjourned to meet at 8 o'clock.

Evening

Conference met at 8 o'clock and gave way to a meeting of the Electoral College, renewing its work at 8:20. The Committee on Brotherhood formation was appointed as the Committee to organize the movement in the Maryland Conference.

Committee to revise the Constitution of the Superannuated Fund Society: J. M. Sheridan, J. W. Kirk, E. C. Makosky, T. A. Murray, and J. W. Chapman.

The resolution of W. C. Perkins, that the Church Extension Committee appropriate not more than \$5000 in 1913, was adopted. (Resolution 11).

The Committee on Missions urges pastors to acquaint themselves with and preach world-wide evangelization; to organize study classes. The same missionary assessments are continued and the reports of the Women Societies are commended. The report was adopted. (Report O).

The Committee on Young People's Work reported. The Sunday School scholars have increased 4039 and Christian Endeavor 620. The Committee concurs in the Union's program of Efficiency, Mission's and Adult Bible Classes. It was adopted. (Report K).

J. M. Holmes presented a resolution that our General Conference representatives memorialize the General Conference to change the name of the Home Mission Board to the Church Extension Society of the Methodist Protestant Church and that a new Home Mission Society be organized. By motion the paper was referred to the Committee to whom were referred the other memorials to the General Conference. (See Report Y).

At 9:15 the Conference gave place to a meeting of the Church Extension Society.

Seventh Day—Tuesday

H. S. Johnson had charge of the prayer service. The minutes were read and approved. The roll was called, showing that the following delegates had failed to respond during the session: Samuel W. Greenawalt, Charles Albaugh, C. B. Wentzell, Jr., Levin T. Harmon, J. S. Scarborough, F. N. Miller, Randolph H. Wade, A. H. Krout, Frank L. Ball, Isaac D. Espenshade.

At the instance of the president, the ex-president stated that L. E. Purdum had applied for his papers, but that he desiring information had not delivered them, and by a motion of himself the papers were ordered delivered.

The special committee on Memorials to the General Conference reported that the matters related to were of such an involved character as to make action now inadvisable, and recommending that they be referred to our representatives to the General Conference. H. L. Elderdice presented a resolution as an amendment concerning the consolidation of the "Methodist Protestant" and "Methodist Recorder". It was withdrawn as an amendment, the committee's report was adopted (Report Y) and the resolution was brought in as a separate paper. There was a motion to refer the resolution to the General Conference representatives. A division was called on the vote and it was referred by a vote of 47 to 26. (See Electoral College).

T. H. Lewis raised the question as to the balance in the hands of the Treasurer of the fund to defray expense of the General Conference Executive Committee members and Ecumenical Conference delegation and moved that the balance be turned over to the General Conference Treasurer. The Treasurer reported the amount in hand and asked for instructions about the unpaid assessment. No instructions were given at this time, and the motion prevailed.

The president announced the members of the Executive Committee of the Union of Young People's Work: The President of the Conference, ex-officio, Louis Randall, E. C. Makosky, J. Bibb Mills, F. P. Adkins.

Rev. G. C. Williams, of the Laurel Methodist Episcopal Church, was introduced.

By motion of T. H. Lewis, an order of the day was fixed at eleven o'clock to hear certain matters concerning Western Maryland College. W. P. Roberts, Superannuate Fund collector, reported \$126 paid the Treasu-

rer, and F. M. Clift, Church Extension collector, reported \$116.00. Both reports were accepted.

The report of the Superannuate Committee, making recommendations and appropriations, was adopted as a whole without reading. (Report H). From 9:50 to 10:15 the Superannuated Fund Society was in session.

On a motion of F. T. Benson, the floor of the Conference was extended to B. W. Kindley, the secretary of the Maryland Sunday school Association and a member of this Conference.

Rev. Tilghman Smith, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, was introduced.

The Committee on Statistics, E. L. Bunce, reported: 143 Ministers and Preachers; 28,437 full members; 2186 full members received, with a net gain of 419; 294 appointments. The report was adopted. (See Tables).

A resolution by J. H. Straughn changes the name of the Christian Endeavor Union to Union of Young People's Work, Rule 5, Section 2, paragraph 17, of the Manual and was adopted. (Resolution 12).

The final report of the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders was read, granting licenses for the ordinances, discontinuing J. R. Horsey as a member of the Conference, calling attention to a vacancy in the Faculty, and passing A. B. Dupuy through the course. The partial report was adopted and the report as a whole was adopted. (Report F).

The reports of the Washington Branch W. F. M. S. and W. H. M. S., coming in after the adoption of the Committee's report, the secretary was instructed to print them in conjunction with the Committee's report. (See Report O).

The secretary of the Committee on Official Relations read the report of his committee. Rolls are given of charges which have not appointed lady visitors and which have not given disciplines to new members; also of those which have met their assessments in full. Particular relations to ministers are given. (Report N). Because of a few inadvertencies in the various rolls and the order of the day at eleven o'clock the report was held over.

T. H. Lewis then presented the cause of Western Maryland College, calling upon the President of the Conference, T. W. Donoho, T. P. Fisher, F. M. Wilson, John H. Baker, and T. W. Mather. N. J. Wimbrow also spoke.

T. O. Crouse reported for the special committee to visit the New Jersey Conference. It was adopted. (Report T).

The report of the special committee on Deaconess Board report was made the order of the day following the one now set for three o'clock.

A telegram of greeting from C. E. McCullough was read.

W. R. Graham, outlining the work of J. E. Nicholson, preferred a request that his name be referred to the Committee on Superannuates.

J. E. Nicholson pronounced the benediction.

Afternoon

F. T. Little was called to the chair, and immediately relinquished to the president coming in. The unfinished report of the Committee on Official Relations was taken up. The item giving list of charges not supplying disciplines was stricken out, but on a reconsideration was replaced with a recommendation that these charges conform to the law. The item expressing the appreciation of the hospitality of the Laurel Church was adopted with a rising vote. The word "consistently" was stricken from the article referring to the newspaper reports. The paper was adopted as a whole. (Report N).

Report of the Conference Steward was read by J. R. Wright, assistant Steward, and was adopted, with these recommendations:

First: That Pastors use more care in compiling reports and adhere closely to the printed form, thus lessening the labor of the Steward and his assistants.

Second: In making out reports the Pastors will not report any cents.

Third: In the event of the report being improperly filled out it shall be returned to the Pastor for correction. (See Tables).

The report of the Treasurer showing total receipts and expenditures was adopted. (Report C).

The Committee on Superannuates brought in an additional report, changing the relation of J. E. Nicholson from active to superannuate and making an appropriation. It was adopted. (Report H).

The report of the Committee on Deaconess Work provides for an assessment of \$1000 and the second item relates to a Home. Consideration was out of order, and deferred until 3:30.

The secretary was instructed to write a letter of sympathy to the father of B. W. Kindley in his illness.

The resolution of J. H. Straughn, changing the name "assessments" to "benevolences" was declared lost.

The president called F. T. Little to the chair.

At 3:00 a session of the Mutual Relief Association was held, and at 3:10 Conference took up the report of the special committee on the matter of sectarian garb in Government Indian Schools. It defines an emphatic protest and instructs the secretary so to advise the President. It was adopted. (Report X).

J. L. Nichols was given the floor and called attention to the subscription made during the year to the Westminster College, Texas, and spoke briefly concerning the great opportunity of the southwest.

By motion, T. O. Crouse, F. C. Klein, and F. P. Adkins were constituted a committee to draft resolutions on the terrible ocean tragedy reported in today's papers. (See Report Z).

The Deaconess Committee report was taken from the table and considered. G. I. Humphreys moved to amend item 1, requesting the charges to give on a basis of one-third of the President's salary instead of laying an assessment of \$1000. The time was extended. The motion to have the pervious question was not sustained and on motion Conference took recess until 8 o'clock.

Evening

After a song service, the president called the Conference to order for business at 8:00 o'clock. The special Deaconess report was taken up. The amendment requesting a given amount on the second Sunday of October was accepted by the committee, and the item as amended was adopted. The second item referring to the establishment of a Home was adopted and the report as a whole was adopted. (Report S).

The report of the special committee to draft resolutions on the recent horrible marine tragedy was read by T. O. Crouse, and was adopted with a rising vote. (Report Z).

A supplemental report of the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders,

granting a license for the ordinances to H. E. Norris, was adopted. (Report F).

A collection was taken to defray the expenses of the memorial services.

The Conference Steward appointed assistants for 1913, J. R. Wright, F. P. Krauss, and P. L. Rice.

The Board of Finance has verified the agent of the President's parsonage and presents the list of assessments. The report was adopted. (Report E, and Tables).

The Committee on Church Extension reported through its secretary, E. C. Makosky. The same assessment is laid. The reports of the Baltimore City and Washington City Church Extension Societies are examined. (See Report G). The name of Mt. Pleasant mission is changed to Park Roads Methodist Protestant Church. The committee does not recommend an appropriation to a new enterprise in Wilmington. The list of appropriations is appended. The report as a whole was adopted without discussion. (Report G).

The Mutual Relief Association was in session for a few minutes.

The president asked the continuance of a committee on Linthicum Heights composed of J. M. Sheridan, G. W. Haddaway, E. C. Makosky, J. W. Chapman and W. W. Smith.

The president appointed W. R. Graham to the Faculty to succeed himself.

There was an excess in the collections of tonight and by motion it was delivered to the pastor of the Conference Church.

The pastor of Milford was given an opportunity of bringing his work before the Conference.

R. L. Shipley reported 98 charter members of the Summer Conference of Methodist Protestant Ministers.

The thanks of the Conference was extended to F. D. Reynolds as postmaster, and all other officers.

The minutes were read. The secretary moved that the General Conference Executive Committee Treasurer continue to solicit the remaining unpaid amounts of last year.

W. S. Hanks stating that he would attend the Eastern Conference was appointed a fraternal messenger.

The minutes were here approved and at 9:15 the President read the plan of appointments, concluding at 9:47.

W. S. Phillips moved that we adjourn with prayer, doxology, and the benediction. J. W. Kirk made the prayer, the doxology was sung and the benediction was pronounced at 9:55 by the President.

Approved:

J. S. BOWERS, President.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "W. S. Phillips". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "W".

Secretary.

REPORTS

Report A

Of The President

To the Maryland Annual Conference:

Dear Brethren:

I respectfully submit to you this my fifth and last Annual Report. In doing this I am moved to express profound gratitude to our Heavenly Father for the blessings of His providence so freely bestowed throughout my term of office, as evidenced in the preservation of my life, freedom from accident and illness, and the ability to prosecute without interruption my official duties as your executive.

While mistakes may have been made, and I may have come short of my responsibility, nevertheless, as I stand here in the presence of God, I have the clear consciousness of having been influenced solely by the desire to do right in every instance.

My one supreme purpose has been to awaken interest in all the local and general interests of the denomination, and to bring into active operation all the forces of the Conference in advancing the Kingdom of God. A synopsis of the work, as presented in this report, will show conclusively that we have had a year of reasonable prosperity, despite the widespread and prolonged drought of the summer, and the unusually severe weather conditions of the winter.

Before proceeding further I pause to make mention of the fact that in many of our homes there have been illness and suffering. It becomes my sad duty to report that two of our ministers, and two of the wives and three of the widows of our brethren have died during the year. On April the 6th, 1911, during the session of the Conference, in Federalsburg, Maryland, the sad intelligence came to us that Rev. S. A. Hoblitzell had passed to his eternal reward. He was for fifty-two years an honored member of this Conference. His was a beautiful christian life. No man among us was ever more faithful to duty. He usually had long pastorates and was loved and esteemed by all who knew him.

On May 16th, 1911, Rev. J. D. Kinzer, D. D., of Baltimore, after a brief illness, peacefully closed his earthly career. Dr. Kinzer was for years a conspicuous figure in this Conference and the church at large. His splendid personality, his strong christian character, his sound judgment and unwavering loyalty made him a leader among men. In addition

to many other honors conferred upon him he was for five years the President of the Conference, and filled the office with credit and honor.

On July 24th, 1911, Mrs. Ida Donovan, the wife of Rev. Avery Donovan, at a period when she was so much needed, both in the home and the church, was called from activities here to the immortal life above. On Sunday, August 20th, 1911, Mrs. Anna A. Thompson, widow of Rev. C. M. Thompson, passed from earth to heaven. After a long illness Mrs. Angeline Barns Drinkhouse, the consort of the late Rev. E. J. Drinkhouse, D. D., who was spending the summer at Colonial Beach, Virginia, entered into rest. The entire Conference was shocked to learn of the death of Mrs. Virginia Holmes, the wife of Rev. J. M. Holmes, D. D., who, on January 10th, 1912, while on a visit to Washington, suddenly departed this life. Mrs. Amanda Livingston, widow of Rev. W. F. Livingston, died at her home in Roslyn, Virginia, January 17th, 1912. Mrs. Catherine Alverda Read, widow of Rev. J. Edgar Read, and mother of Rev. Edgar T. Read, of Baltimore, after a widowhood of nearly thirty-four years, fell asleep in Jesus February 21, 1912.

These were all women of pure and exalted characters, devout servants of Christ, and loyal members of the Methodist Protestant Church; and shared in the labors and sacrifices of their husbands. Obituary committees were promptly appointed and suitable testimonials to their worth and memory have been prepared.

Unsupplied Charges. *

The following charges were left unsupplied at the last session of the Conference, viz., Campbell, Frederica, Talbot, and Wilmington. In July, C. M. Adams, a local preacher from Fairfax Circuit, was appointed in charge of Campbell, and has since rendered acceptable service. Frederica has had no regular supply. Rev. L. A. Bennett has preached there a number of times. Recently special services were held by Brothers Bennett and Joslin, which resulted in a large number of conversions, and a renewal of the people's interest in the church's future. At the close of the Seminary, W. A. Ledford was appointed to Talbot and remained until Christmas. Since then Rev. W. H. Litsinger visited the circuit several times and conducted services. Having been directed by the Conference to appoint a pastor to Wilmington, if in my judgment I found it wise to do so, I found this impracticable for the reason that the church would not assume any obligations for pastoral support.

Changes

At the earnest solicitation of Rev. S. W. Rosenberger, August 21, 1911, I gave him his release from Alexandria and transfer to the Muskingooh Conference. Brother C. J. Kerlin, a Seminary Student, was at once ap-

pointed as a supply. On November 15, 1911, Rev. Clayborne Phillips, on account of impaired health, was released from the pastorate of Dorchester Circuit, and Rev. D. W. Anstine was appointed to the charge. Rev. C. E. McCullough presented a certificate from his physician stating that a change of climate was necessary for the protection of his health, and asked for his release from Georgetown, Delaware. On February 1st, 1912, he was granted a release and given a transfer to the N. Illinois Conference, and Rev. J. M. Brown was released from Union Bridge, and assigned to Georgetown, Del. Brother W. S. Harper, a Seminary Student, was at the same time appointed to Union Bridge.

According to the action of this Conference at its last session, Rev. J. R. Horsey was ordained at North Baltimore Church on April 13, 1911. In the ordination service I was assisted by several of our Baltimore pastors.

Institutions and Societies—Western Maryland College.

Western Maryland College continues to be one of the most important factors in the developing educational activities of the State of Maryland. It affords excellent collegiate advantages to our young people under conditions most helpful in promoting religious training and in insuring their future usefulness as members of the Methodist Protestant Church. New buildings are being added, the endowment is growing, and the outlook for the college was never more hopeful than to-day.

Westminster Theological Seminary

No educational institution in the entire denomination is of more vital importance, or commands a more general interest among our people than the Seminary. It is absolutely indispensable to the church, for we must have trained men for the ministry. The consolidation of the Adrian and the Westminster Theological Seminaries, the addition of Rev. H. L. Freeman, D. D., to the Faculty, the fact that ten different Annual Conferences are represented by the students, and the legacies of Dr. J. D. Kinzer, and Mrs. E. J. Drinkhouse, are some of the indications of the wide-spread influence and permanent growth of this institution.

I have constantly presented in the churches and the Sunday Schools the imperative call of the gospel ministry, in an earnest effort to awaken in the minds of young men the necessity of giving heed thereto, and to emphasize the solemn responsibility resting upon pastors and parents to encourage them to a right decision. Rev. G. R. Brown, D. D., the Secretary of the Board of Ministerial Education, will attend the Conference and will formally present the great interests of the Board he represents and I am sure will receive our sympathy and cooperation.

The Church Home

This beautiful, philanthropic work, should appeal strongly to all our people. It has grown slowly but surely, and is destined to become an institution of which the whole church will be proud. As it is brought more prominently before our people the offerings for its support will become larger and more bequests will be made, and thus we can hope that in the years to come a sufficient sum will be secured to enlarge the buildings and accommodate more of our aged people.

Deaconess Movement.

This is the latest institution in the Conference. It is a department of christian work which, usually starting in a small way and making progress slowly, requires agitation and effort to enlist the support of the churches, and to secure young women who will devote their lives in its helpful ministrations to the needy and those without church relations.

We have one Deaconess who is now rendering valuable service, and another who will soon complete the regular course in the training school and will then enter upon her duties. They will be present during this Conference session. It will be necessary for the Conference to devise some practical, systematic plan for the support of this new undertaking.

President's Parsonage Guild.

I wish to commend most heartily the noble ladies of Baltimore, who for ten years have faithfully sustained this Guild, and to express the sincere appreciation of myself and family for their uniform kindness in caring for the interior of the President's Parsonage during our occupancy. The plan to enlist all the Ladies' Aid Societies of the District, by having each to contribute one dollar a year, has greatly assisted the work of the Guild, although only a small proportion of them have responded to the appeal. The smallness of the annual contribution may cause it to be overlooked, but if all the societies would contribute regularly the Guild would have an ample sum to meet all requirements.

The Book Concern.

The Book Directory of Baltimore and the agent are to be congratulated on the successful year just closed. There has been a steady increase in the sales, and the prospect is encouraging for the building up of a large trade. The profits in the book and stationary and in the Sunday School publications departments have exceeded those of any previous year. While this is true, it is to be deeply regretted that the Methodist Protestant, the official organ which circulates in our territory, is not being sustained as it should be. In the issue of March 6th the editor shows that, while in twenty-

one years we have more than doubled our collections for general and local interests, the Methodist Protestant in its subscription list has practically gained nothing. The agent reports a loss of 224 subscribers in Maryland for the present year. Without the paper in the eighty-four years of our Conference history there could never have been the splendid growth we have had. At the death of Mrs. E. J. Drinkhouse in the month of August, the income from the magnificent bequest of her lamented husband became available as a permanent asset of the Directory, mainly for the purpose of perpetuating and circulating the Methodist Protestant, of which he was the able and honored editor for many years.

In view of these facts it is self evident that the time has come for the most vigorous efforts to be put forth to enlarge the paper, increase its circulation, and thus greatly widen the sphere of its usefulness.

Missions.

The object of the Board of Home Missions is to carry the Gospel into neglected communities, and to establish Methodist Protestant Churches in various parts of this country. Its present policy, without neglecting the claims of the rural sections, is to concentrate its efforts at strategic points with the idea of securing the best and quickest returns for the investments made. Promising churches have been established in some of the leading cities of the country, and calls are still coming from others to inaugurate new enterprises. The present corresponding secretary, Rev. C. H. Beck, D.D. has already proved himself a competent official, and I am sure will receive a respectful hearing and the unqualified endorsement of this Conference.

Our Foreign Missionary operations in Japan show very satisfactory progress, while the offerings of this Conference for its support are steadily increasing. The evangelistic and educational departments are developing faster than expected and beyond the Board's ability to properly provide for their maintenance and enlargement. The enrollment at the Nogoya College was 350 young men, and at the Yokohama School 280, with 35 girls in the afternoon department. At the college two teachers and a number of students were baptised, with 50 inquirers. At the Yokohama School there were 18 converts, twelve being baptised on Christmas day. The success already achieved calls imperatively for greater liberality on the part of all our people. This Conference pledged, in every reasonable endeavor, to raise for Foreign Missions during the year the sum of \$5000 in addition to the assessments and Children's Day offering. It is to be hoped, that in view of the Board's urgent needs, that this has been realized. The seven churches contributing not less than \$300 each were specially mentioned in last year's report, the aggregate amount being \$4845.

The charges this year that have contributed not less than \$300 for this purpose, are Alnutt Memorial \$300, Buckeystown \$372, St. John's \$770,

West Baltimore \$667, Westminster \$800, North Baltimore \$325 and Rhode Island Avenue \$463.

Rev. F. C. Klein, having had years of experience in the Foreign field, has with indomitable energy sought to awaken the church to a realization of its divinely assigned mission of preaching the Gospel to every creature. The Maryland Branch, and the Washington and Alexandria Branches of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society have each had a successful year. In addition to its other work the Maryland Branch is supporting a woman missionary in Japan. Its offerings for the year are altogether larger than previous years.

Church Extension.

I have continuously and earnestly emphasized this department of our church activities. A study of the subject will clearly prove the importance of Church Extension having a large place in the thought and plans of the Conference. A few churches, because of local conditions, are not growing, and some of these are declining. To overcome such losses it is necessary that we take up new work in promising fields. The cities and larger towns are rapidly increasing in population, and, as their moral and religious conditions will largely determine the prosperity and permanency of our nation we should do our full share in giving them the gospel. Openings for new churches particularly in suburban communities are almost without limit. It should be recognized that all churches thus planted do not make rapid growth, for it requires time, patience, faith, and frequently sacrifice to firmly establish them. We need not, therefore, be discouraged if occasionally an effort in this direction results in failure. It would be a sound business policy for the Conference to inaugurate a plan by which new residential developments may be investigated with the view of securing favorable locations upon the most reasonable terms. Not infrequently the promoters of these developments will donate the ground, as was the case with Wilton Heights and Linthicum Heights. While no new enterprise has been undertaken this year much has been accomplished in the erection of buildings, and the strengthening of the societies organized in recent years. The District of Columbia Church Extension Society has vigorously prosecuted its work within the bounds of its territory. Cherrydale having become self supporting, the Society is now giving its undivided attention to Mt. Pleasant. It will require a large amount of money to place this promising work on a solid basis, and it must continue to receive the help of the Conference, and also the aid of the Board of Home Missions. The success of this new effort will give us another church in the capitol of the nation. The Baltimore City Church Extension Society closed its year's work with an inspiring mass-meeting which resulted in securing new members and the infusing of new life into the work of the Society, which promises greater achievements in the future.

Building and Improvements.

Including the building in which we are now meeting, and Trinity Church on Snow Hill charge, both of which will be dedicated Sunday next, eleven churches have been completed during the year and five more are in course of construction. This does not include Towson on Baltimore Circuit, where the balance of the indebtedness was secured and the church formally dedicated last June, nor Cambridge and Winchester, Kent Island, where plans are being prepared and new buildings are to be begun at once. The former, Cambridge, will be a brick or stone building to cost not less than \$12,000, while the latter will be an attractive frame structure with an estimated cost of \$2,500. There have been built six new parsonages, all of which are comfortable homes, while some of them are large and expensive with all modern improvements. In addition to these, contracts have been awarded for parsonages at Harpers Ferry and Fawn Grove. The former will cost \$2,200, one-half of which is in hand. The Fawn Grove building will have ten rooms and will be modern in every particular. Our friends of Potomac also expect to begin work on their parsonage early in the Conference year. The new Christ Church in Baltimore was opened for worship in June. The cost of this church was \$24,000 and stands as a monument to the faith, energy and consecration of the young pastor and his enthusiastic people. They have raised \$4,000 this year on the building and while the debt is still large, with the sympathy of the Conference, they will persevere and finally pay the entire amount. Starr Chapel was dedicated in June. It is a beautiful and modern building. There has also been erected a splendid parsonage on the same lot. It is one of the largest and most attractive homes in the Conference. The cost was \$7,000. The congregations of this church are growing rapidly. It gives promise of being one of the strongest churches of the Conference. The congregation has contributed \$1,000 on buildings. The Parksley Church was completed and dedicated early in the Conference year. This substantial and attractive brick edifice cost \$16,000. Its erection has been a great triumph for our people in that town. Hunting Creek Church, on the same charge, was finished and dedicated about the same time. It is an attractive two-room frame building valued at \$5000. The two congregations have collected on buildings \$2,500. The Selbyville Church was opened for worship during the summer and Williamsville Church on the same charge was dedicated later in the Conference year. The former is a large frame structure and was built at a cost of \$6000. It will furnish all necessary facilities for our friends in Selbyville for years to come. Our people of Cherrydale are happy in having finished their audience room. The property stands them \$6,000 with an indebtedness of \$2,000. The congregation has raised \$1325, this year on building. Cherrydale is a rapidly growing suburb of Washington, D. C. It is the only church in the town and has a bright future. The audience room of First Church Newark, begun last year, was

formally dedicated in October. This is now one of the finest churches we have in the denomination. The entire property, including the parsonage and ground, is valued at \$100,000, and with its splendid location should become a great church. The audience room cost over \$40,000. The congregation gave this year of this amount, \$21,486. Taylor Memorial, of Philadelphia, has purchased ground, in a new section of the city, and erected upon it a frame chapel. A prosperous Sunday School has been organized. It is to be hoped that the old church will soon be sold and a permanent building erected on the new site. Trinity Church, on Snow Hill charge, has erected a new building in the town of Newark, Md. It is of frame and consists of two rooms. The best of material has been used and the property will be a credit to our denomination in Worcester County. The cost is \$4,000. There has been raised to date \$600, a large part of the balance needed will be forthcoming on day of dedication. The Conference has the privilege of seeing for itself this beautiful structure in which we are now assembled. Our Laurel friends, with their faithful and heroic pastor, are to be congratulated on the success with which their labors have been crowned. We trust that this will mark a new epoch in the history of our denomination in this growing town. The estimated cost of the building, not including the ground, is \$25,000, of which amount \$14,300 has already been secured. Linthicum Heights Church near Baltimore will soon be ready for dedication. It is a Gothic structure built of stone and including the ground will cost not less than \$7,000, of which sum about \$3,000 is provided for. Greenbush Church on Accomac is also nearly completed. The cost will be \$2400. The congregation has contributed \$400 of this during the year. Mt. Pleasant Church on Mardela Circuit is plastered and has been used for several months. It will be finished and dedicated in a few weeks. The cost will approximate \$1600, of which \$1000 has been secured. Mt. Tabor, in Washington, has added Sunday School rooms at a cost of \$5,500, all of which has been provided for. The new church at Milford, the progress of which has been watched with great interest by the entire Conference, is nearing completion and will be ready for use in May. The building, which is of concrete blocks, is large and will furnish ample facilities for that rapidly growing congregation. The cost of the building is estimated at \$20,000, one half of which is in hand. The work accomplished by Brother Bennett in Milford is in many respects the most marvelous in the history of our Conference. St. Paul's Mission, Baltimore, has had a prosperous year. The amount advanced, \$715.00, for the chapel three years ago by a kind friend has been collected and returned. This friend has placed this money in bank as the beginning of a fund for a permanent building. It is confidently expected that a stone chapel will be erected during the coming year. The church in Oxford has secured a new lot and has moved and renovated the building. At Violetville a well planned parsonage has been built on a lot adjoining the church which cost \$2500.

The congregation has paid \$700.00 of this amount. The old parsonage at Towson, on Baltimore Circuit, has been sold for \$2000, and a modern home built beside the church. This property is valued at \$4,000. The circuit has collected on debt during the year \$1000, thus clearing the Towson church. This year's work on Caroline Circuit has been specially characterized by the sale of the old parsonage at Burrsville and the erection of a beautiful home at Hobbs, a town on the M. D. & V. Railroad. The amount expended on the building was \$2500.00, of which \$1450.00 has been paid. Our friends of Whaleyville have built a neat and comfortable parsonage which cost \$1200. Campbell Circuit has a parsonage nearly ready for occupancy which has cost them \$1,000, the most of which has been provided for.

Nothing adds more to the permanency of a charge than a comfortable home for its pastor, and we earnestly hope that this good work will continue until every charge shall have a parsonage of its own. Eutaw church, Baltimore, which has heretofore reduced its debt annually, has paid over \$1,000 more this year. The following charges have each paid on debt not less than \$500.00: Lynchburg \$975, Hurlock \$500, Delmar \$600, First Church, Washington \$500, Elizabeth \$500, Wilton Heights \$1100, St. John's \$500, Lisbon \$730, Calvary \$1000, Payson St. \$1000, Conquest \$500, East Baltimore \$500, Federalsburg \$500, First Church, Newark \$1000, Mt. Nebo \$550, Snow Hill \$650, Keen Memorial \$700, Rhode Island Ave. \$1000.

On improvements, Alnutt \$500, Crisfield \$500, Hampden \$700, Nichols Memorial \$544, Oxford \$500, Pocomoke Circuit \$890, Potomac \$585, South Baltimore \$1050, Stewartstown \$650.

According to the tabulated statement taken from the cards received, the value of new churches and new parsonages is \$154,081. The total amount paid on these new churches, new parsonages and all other building and improvements is \$88,474. Total amount paid on debt is \$20,786.

Pastors' Salaries.

In view of the action of the Conference on this subject at the time of my election to the Presidency, and the existing conditions and necessities, I felt it incumbent upon me not only to strongly emphasize the importance of better pastoral support but to use the prestige of the office to induce churches to respond to this appeal. Great pleasure has come to me in the discharge of this duty. I have known that I was relieving my brethren of personal embarrassments and adding to the comfort of their families.

During the year thirty-two (32) charges have made an advance in pastors' salaries amounting to \$2668.00, and for next year 20 report an increase of \$2271.00. In five years of my incumbency in office the entire amount of increase has been \$21,188. This increase should go steadily on until every minister in the Conference shall have a comfortable support. They are worthy of it and the people are able to give it.

Accessions.

The weather conditions for revivals during the winter were exceedingly unfavorable. In many instances, on account of the intense cold, some churches were compelled to close their meetings, while others held no services. Despite these facts it is with gratitude that we report that 2094 persons made a profession of faith in Christ, and 2071 were received into church fellowship.

Benevolences.

This public expression of gratitude is given to St. John's Board of Beneficence, and Pipe Creek and Jefferson Benevolent Societies for their generous benefactions during the year to the various interests of the denomination.

Bequests.

During the year, bequests have been made by seven persons amounting to \$21,728. They were as follows: Mrs. E. J. Drinkhouse to Mt. Tabor Church, \$5000; to the Superannuated Fund Society, \$5000; to the Theological Seminary, \$2500; to the Home of the Aged, \$1000; to the Church Extension Society, \$1000; to North Baltimore, \$500; to Georgetown, D. C., \$500; George Cleadon to Cecil Circuit, \$713; Mrs. Amanda Harris to Easton Church, \$900; Mrs. Emma Miller to St. Lukes Church, \$500; Miss Mamie Rumpf, to First Church, Newark, \$315; ——— ——— ———, to Pipe Creek Circuit, \$500; James H. Dodd, to Wye, \$2500.

Temperance.

I have no thought of anticipating the Report of the Committee on Moral Reform, but I feel that a word on this subject in the opening of the Conference session will be timely. The indignation of the great host of the citizens of Maryland has been aroused as never before by the disgraceful scenes recently enacted in the Maryland Legislature, when prominent politicians made alliance with the liquor elements of Baltimore City to defeat the Local Option Bill, and thus depriving the citizens of the state of the constitutional right to determine at the polls whether or not the saloon shall be licensed to debauch manhood and to bring untold suffering to all classes of society.

I am sure I voice the sentiment of this great Conference with churches in Baltimore City and eighteen counties of the state when I give this public expression of our confidence in the Anti-Saloon League and its superintendent, Mr. Wm. H. Anderson, and repudiate in the strongest terms the efforts of members of both houses of the Legislature to malign him. We stand ready to give the temperance forces of Maryland our support in

carrying this fight into every legislative district of the state in an uncompromising and unyielding effort to defeat for the Legislature two years hence those who refuse to support this just measure.

It is not my purpose to present a comparative statement similar to that of last year, in which was set forth actual achievements in certain periods of our Conference history, except to say, that the records conclusively prove that during every period in the last quarter of a century substantial gains were made.

During the last five years the results secured in all departments have in a great degree exceeded any other like period. It would be strange if such were not the case, because every such period should be marked by reasonable advancement. Our forces are constantly becoming better organized, our institutions are more strongly established, our Boards are becoming more effective in their respective spheres, our people are becoming more intelligent and liberal and the whole church is getting a wider vision, and a deeper spirit of consecration in extending the Kingdom of Jesus Christ on earth. In view of what God has enabled us to accomplish in the last eighty-three years, and our augmented resources and equipment for service, we to-day, at the opening of this session pledge ourselves to redouble our efforts to build up a greater Maryland Conference.

In closing I wish to express my gratitude to my brethren of the ministry, and also to the laymen with their families for their great kindness and generous hospitality extended so freely to me while discharging the duties of this office. The fatigue of many a long journey was lessened by the warm welcome with which I was received into your homes. I shall carry with me to the close of my earthly life delightful recollections of the associations I have had with you. Joining you in prayer for Divine guidance in the deliberations of the Conference session, and for the endowment of the power of the Holy Ghost for more effective service, I am

Your fellow laborer in the Gospel,

J. M. SHERIDAN, President.

OF THE COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Your Committee on President's Report submit the following:

The President's Report is full of gratifying and encouraging information relative to the work of the District during the year. The blessing of Almighty God has been upon our labors, and we have great reason to thank God and take courage.

While we take pleasure in the material achievements, the building of churches and parsonages and the liquidation of debts, we especially rejoice in the spiritual triumphs.

The year has been one of toil and anxious endeavor, but God has magnified His Word through the ministry of His servants, and a number of the churches have rejoiced in the displays of His saving grace.

We heartily endorse the President's words in regard to Church Extension. Our Church Extension work more than ever before commends itself to the confidence and liberality of our people. New fields have been entered, new agencies consecrated, and a splendid work done in the planting and aiding of churches. There is need, however, of increased generosity. Promising fields are open to us in many communities, and with larger resources at our command strong churches could be established. We believe, with the President, that it would be a sound business policy for the Conference to inaugurate a plan by which new residential developments may be investigated with a view of securing favorable locations.

We note with pleasure that a number of charges have increased pastors' salaries. This action is most commendable. We are persuaded, however, that we have not yet reached the ideal of ministerial maintenance, and express the hope that the day may soon come when all our churches will recognize the wisdom and justice of making better provision for those who serve them in spiritual things. God has ordained that they that preach the Gospel shall live by the Gospel, and this ordinance is one of the conditions of spiritual prosperity.

The St. John's Board of Beneficence and the Pipe Creek and Jefferson Benevolent Societies have continued to give material aid to our churches and pastors, and we hereby express our appreciation of their generous benefactions.

We regard the Deaconess Movement as a department of Christian work that will materially increase the efficiency and usefulness of the church. Assuming that some plan will be devised at the Conference for the support of this work, we commend the movement to the sympathy and support of our people.

We make grateful mention of the generous bequests made to several of our churches and general interests by Mrs. A. B. Drinkhouse, Mrs. Amanda Harris, Mrs. Emma Miller, Miss Mamie Rumpf, James H. Dodd, George Cleadson, and Edward Farmalt. These were godly men and women. They loved their church in life, and they remembered it in death. Though themselves gone to be with God, their influence which was ever for good, will continue to be felt among us, and their names will be held in loving memory.

J. W. BALDERSTON, Chairman.

PLAN OF APPOINTMENTS

Charge	Pastor	Yrs.	Charge	Pastor	Yrs.
Accomac, Va	A. H. Green	1	Clayton, Del.....	C H Jones	2
Alexandria, Va.....	C. R. Strausburg	1	Concord, Pa	F. J. Phillips	3
Amelia, Va.....	J R. Wright	3	Conquest, Va.....	E. L. Bunce	3
Baltimore City:			Crisfield:		
Alnutt Memorial.....	F. T. Little	1	Crisfield.....	Louis Randall	7
Bethany	B. A. Bryan	1	Lawsonia..	To be supplied	
Broadway	J. M. Sheridan	1	Mariners	M. E. Hungerford	1
Brooklyn.....	W. S. Hanks	3	Crumpton.....	F. L. Stevens	1
Calvary	J. R. Gaar	9	Cumberland	G. E. Brown	3
Christ Church.	L. B. Smith	5	Cumberland Circuit...	C. W. Sanderson	1
East Baltimore.....	E. T. Read	5	Deer Creek	C. J. Burdette (Supply)	4
Eutaw.....	W. B. Judefind	6	Deer Park.....	W. F. Bauscher	1
Evergreen.	A. W. Ewell	1	Delmar, Del	J. A. Wright	4
Hampden	C. P. Nowlin	2	Delta, Pa	E. A. Sexsmith	4
Keen Memorial.....	A. S. Beane	5	Denton	A. N. Ward	3
Lauraville	C. C. Day (Supply)	1	Dorchester	D. W. Anstine	1
North Baltimore.....	T. O. Crouse	4	Dover and Leipsic, Del.		
Payson Street.....	A. J. Torrey	1		H. S. Johnson	1
South Baltimore.....	J. F. Bryan	3	Easton	W. H. Litsinger	6
Starr	G. W. Haddaway	11	Elizabeth, N. J	J. W. Balderston	6
St. John.....	J. W. Kirk	5	Fairfax, Va	W. C. Mumford	3
St. Paul.....	J. A. Dudley	1	Fawn Grove, Pa	G. J. Hooker	3
Violetville	W. F. Wright	2	Federalsburg.....	C. M. Elderdice	5
Waverly.....	W. E. Grove (Supply)	2	Felton, Del.....	To be supplied	
West Baltimore.....	E. C. Makosky	4	Finksburg	S. F. Cassen	9
C. S. Arnett, Supernumerary		5	First Church, Newark, N. J.		
Wilton Heights				W. S. Phillips	4
Ronalds Taylor (Supply)		2	Franklin City, Va.....	V. A. Miller	2
Baltimore Circuit.....	H. F. Wright	8	Frederica, Del.....	To be supplied	
Bedford, Pa.....	F. P. Krauss	1	Frederick	B. F. Ruley	
Belair.	H. L. Schlincke	4	Georgetown, Del....	J. McLain Brown	1
Buckeystown	Avery Donovan	1	Georgetown Circuit.....	To be supplied	
Cambridge	J. L. Ward	6	Greensboro	C. W. Bates (Supply)	1
Campbell, Va	C. M. Adams	1	Greenwood, Del	G. H. Stocksdales	2
Cannon, Del.	H. B. Jester	2	Grove	To be supplied	
Caroline	J. T. Bailey	3	Harbeson, Del	E. W. Simms	2
Cecil	C. M. Zepp	2	Harpers Ferry & Middleway, W. Va.		
Centreville.....	J. L. Nichols	1		R. Y. Nicholson	2
Chesapeake	A. B. Dupuy	3	Harrington, Del.....	J. M. Holmes	2
Chestertown	W. R. Graham	1	Howard.....	N. C. Clough	1
Chincoteague, Va.			Hurlock	W. P. Roberts	3
W. S. Simms (Supply)		3	Indian River, Del.....	J. E. Maloy	10

OF AGENT OF PRESIDENT'S PARSONAGE

Receipts

1911

April 3, Cash Balance in Baker, Watts & Co. Bank....\$587 46

1912

April 9, Interest allowed by Baker, Watts & Co. Bank. 2 19

April 9, Bills paid during the year by President Sheridan, turned in as cash 44 51

April 9, Check from President Sheridan, being $\frac{1}{4}$ of
\$2900.75 of his collections, less \$44.51 680 67 \$1314 83

Disbursements

1911

April 29, Check to Thos. A. Murray, Treasurer, payment on Mortgage \$500 00

1912

Feby. 27, Check to Murry & Donnelly, Fire Insurance
for five years premium on \$3,000 22 50

April 9, By bills paid by the President during Conference year, as per vouchers herewith 44 51

April 9, Check to Thos. A. Murray, Treasurer, interest
at 5 per cent. on \$2609.15 130 45April 9, By Cash Balance in Baker, Watts & Co. Bank 617 37 \$1314 83

Dear Brethren:

While the President's Collections this year have fallen \$200. short of last year, he informs me that the shortage will be reduced further on, as he has reliable promises from some of the delinquents.

I shall shortly pay to T. A. Murray, \$500.00, on mortgage, reducing it to \$2109.15.

Respectfully yours,

JARRETT N. GILBERT, Agent.

Report B

Of the Secretary

To the Maryland Annual Conference.

Dear brethren:—

As your Committee on Credentials, I report that credentials of delegates-elect have been received from all the charges except Campbell, Middleway, Prince George, St. Pauls and Williamsport. They are all in regular and due form, except in fourteen cases the certificate sets forth the fact of election by members at a meeting presided over by the pastor and signed by him as chairman. This notwithstanding all that has been said at former sessions and of Regulation XIX of the Manual. Your committee hesitates to deprive any delegate-elect of membership in the Conference, yet in the light of the regulation is compelled to direct your attention to this irregularity.

As the Committee on Transportation, I have to report that no reduction of rates could be secured. But the Pennsylvania Railroad has granted the courtesy of two special coaches through from Baltimore, via. Wilmington, to Laurel, without change.

As the Committee on Publication of Minutes, herewith is my financial statement:

1911-12		Receipts	
Balance in hand, April 4, 1911		\$101	15
From Clayborne Phillips, steward	362	00	
Advanced assessments for current year	86	00	
Sale of Minutes during year	5	75	\$554 90
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		Disbursements	
Printing and distributing 2,000 Minutes	\$295	30	
Incidentals—Printing, Bibles, postage, expressage, etc.	98	73	
Engraving resolutions for President Taft	5	22	
Church Enterprise Committee	8	00	
J. W. Trout, to S. A. Hoblitzell's funeral	7	00	
E. J. Paige, speaker	5	00	
J. M. Sheridan, president, reimbursement	13	75	
Conference Program Committee	6	25	
T. O. Crouse, to New Jersey Conference	5	23	
Special Committee's expenses	8	62	
Secretary's Compensation	25	00	
*G. W. Haddaway, reimbursement	25	00	
Balance in hand to date	51	80	\$554 90

*An expense of the 1909 session, not sooner paid because of misunderstanding.

W. S. PHILLIPS. Secretary.

Report C

Of the Treasurer

President's Salary

Apr. 11, Amount from District	\$3074 00	
Apr. 15, To Vouchers		\$3074 00

Conference Expenses

Apr. 11, Amount from District	\$ 472 00	
Apr. 15, To Conference Secretary		\$ 472 00

Ministerial Education

Apr. 11, Amount from District	\$ 602 00	
Apr. 15, To Geo. R. Brown, Sec.-Treas.		\$ 602 00

Seminary

Apr. 11, Amount from District	\$1818 00	
Apr. 15, To Rev. H. L. Elderdice, Pres.		\$1818 00

College

Apr. 11, Amount from District	\$1445 00	
Apr. 15, To T. H. Lewis, Pres.		\$1445 00

General Home Missions

Apr. 11, Amount from District	\$2574 00	
Apr. 15, To C. H. Beck, Sec.-Treas.		\$2574 00

Foreign Missions

Apr. 11, Amount from District	\$2906 00	
Apr. 15, To Fred C. Klein, Treas.		\$2906 00

Church Home

Apr. 11, Amount from District	\$1449 00	
Apr. 15, To J. W. Herring, Treas.		\$1449 00

Bible Society

Apr. 11, Amount from District	\$ 85 00	
Apr. 15, To L. E. Widerman		\$ 85 00

Tract Society

Apr. 11, Amount from District	\$ 121 00	
Apr. 15, To H. Branch		\$ 121 00

Children's Day and Sunday School

Apr. 11, Amount from District	\$7786 32	
Apr. 15, By Vouchers		\$7362 87
Apr. 11, By Cash to Fred C. Klein, Treas		\$ 423 45
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	\$7786 32	\$7786 32

Superannuates

Receipts

1911

May 1, Contingent Fund	\$ 100 00
July 17, Check of T. A. Murray, Treas.	1225 91
Nov. 6, Check of T. A. Murray, Treas	1374 67

1912

Jan. 26, Check of T. A. Murray, Treas.	1570 00
April 10, Check of T. A. Murray, Treas.	1452 24
Apr. 11, From District	4113 00
April 16, Annual Dues	126 00

Disbursements

1911

July 21, To 1st Distribution	\$1098 00
Nov. 6, To 2nd Distribution	1205 00

1912

Jan. 26, 3rd Distribution	1436 00
Apr. 15, To Expense Cor.-Sec.	1 75
Apr. 15, To Expense Conference Treasurer	8 00
Apr. 16, To 4th Distribution	4583 93
Apr. 16, To 10% of Amount from District	411 30
Apr. 16, To J. L. Straughn, special	50 00
Apr. 16, To Invested Fund	941 84
Apr. 16, To Contingent Fund	100 00
Apr. 16, To Annual Dues	126 00

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Church Extension

Receipts

Apr. 11, From Church Ext. Soc. Treas. Report	\$ 87 10
Apr. 11, from District	5421 00
Apr. 11, From Annual Dues	116 00
Apr. 18, From Borrowed amount to cover deficiency of present year	1002 52 \$6626 62

Disbursements

April 16, To:—Accomac \$150; Alexandria \$100; Balto. City Ch. Ex. Society \$300; Baltimore Circuit \$250; Bethany \$175; Bethany on Church \$200; Calvary \$160; Cannon \$50; Cherrydale \$150; Christ Church \$400;

Conquest \$75; Crumpton \$50; Deer Creek \$50; Delmar \$300; Dis. of Columbia Ch. Ex. Society \$300; Dover \$100; Eutaw \$200 Evergreen \$150; Felton \$50; Greensboro \$200; Howard \$100; Hurlock \$100; Laurel \$125; Lynchburg \$100; Milford \$250; Parksley \$200; Payson Street \$100; Quantico \$50; Reliance \$50; Snow Hill \$250; St. Lukes \$200; St. Michaels \$50; Selbyville \$125; Taylor's Memorial \$150; Violetville \$100; Whaleyville \$100; Williamsport \$75; Wilton Heights \$200; Note and interest of deficiency note 1911 \$891.62; Total Disbursements\$6626.62

Respectfully submitted,

C. P. NOWLIN, Conf. Treas.

Laurel, Del., April 16th, 1912.

Report D

Of the Trustees of the Maryland Annual Conference

The Trustees of the Conference are:—

J. L. Mills, J. M. Sheridan, Rowland Watts, and T. A. Murray, whose terms expire in 1914.

F. T. Little, G. W. Haddaway, J. H. Roberts, and C. A. Benjamin, whose terms expire in 1913.

A. W. Mather, E. C. Makosky, T. W. Donoho, and J. W. Hering, whose terms expire at this Conference.

The Board filled the vacancy caused by the death of J. D. Kinzer.

We recommend that these vacancies on the Board be filled by the Conference.

We submit herewith report of the Treasurer, T. A. Murray.

J. L. MILLS, President.

OF THE TREASURER

Thomas A. Murray, Treasurer, in Account with the Trustees of the Maryland Annual Conference

General Account

To Balance per last Report		\$244 60
To Interest on Deposits	\$ 12 70	
To 5 % Income Drinkhouse Estate	62 87	75 57
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		\$ 320 17
By traveling expense of Trustees paid	5 89	
By rent Safe Deposit Box paid	5 00	
By Treasurer's expense Apr. 1910-11	15 00	
By Balance on deposit	294 28	\$ 320 17
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Drinkhouse Trust Estate

	Income	Principal
To Balance to credit of Principal per last Report..		\$72 72
To amt. Income collected, due prior to death of Mrs. Drinkhouse and payable to her less 5%	506 43	
To amt. Income collected, due since death of Mrs. Drinkhouse	751 45	
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	\$1257 88	\$72 72
By amt. paid to Mrs. A. B. Drinkhouse	\$ 361 18	
By amt. paid to Estate of Mrs. Drinkhouse	119 95	
By 5% commissions credited to Gen. Acct. as above.	62 87	
By Balance on deposit	713 88	72 72
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	\$1257 88	\$72 72

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS A. MURRAY, Treasurer.

Report E

Of the Board of Finance

The Board of Finance respectfully submits the following:

We have examined the report of the Agent of the President's Parsonage, have verified the additions, and audited the accounts as far as we have had vouchers.

We have laid the assessments upon the charges, and herewith submit the list.

J. W. KIRK, Chairman.

Assessment General Conference Expenses

Accomac \$5; Alexandria \$3; Alnutt Memorial \$14; Amelia \$2; Balto. Ct. \$4; Bedford \$6; Belair \$5; Bethany \$2; Broadway \$5; Brooklyn \$4; Buckeystown \$12; Calvary \$2; Cambridge \$6; Campbell \$2; Cannon \$2; Caroline \$5; Cecil \$5; Centreville \$4; Cherrydale \$1; Chesapeake \$4; Chestertown \$12; Chincoteague \$4; Christ Church \$3; Clayton \$5; Concord \$5; Conquest \$2; Crisfield \$9; Crumpton \$3; Cumberland \$5; Cumberland Circuit \$2; Deer Creek \$3; Deer Park \$4; Delmar \$4; Delta \$4; Denton \$5; Dorchester \$5; Dover \$2; East Balto. \$9; Easton \$9; Elizabeth \$8; Eutaw \$4; Evergreen \$2; Fairfax \$3; Fawn Grove \$5; Federalsburg \$3; Felton \$3; Finksburg \$5; First Ch. (Newark) \$12; First Ch. (Washington) \$5;

Franklin City \$4; Frederica \$1; Frederick \$5; Georgetown, D. C. \$11; Georgetown, Del. \$4; Georgetown Circuit \$3; Greensboro \$2; Greenwood \$5; Grove \$3; Hampden \$8; Harbeson \$2; Harpers Ferry \$4; Harrington \$5; Howard \$5; Hurlock \$3; Indian River \$1; Keen Memorial \$4; Kemp-town \$6; Kennedyville \$3; Kent Island \$5; Lauraville \$1; Laurel \$7; Laurel Ct. \$5; Lawsonia \$2; Leeds \$4; Leipsic \$1; Lewes \$1; Lewistown \$1; Liberty \$4; Lisbon \$5; Lynchburg \$5; Mardela \$3; Mariners \$4; Mar-ley \$3; Middleway \$2; Milford \$4; Milton \$4; Montgomery —; Mt. Nebo \$4; Mt. Pleasant \$1; Mt. Tabor \$5; New Church \$3; Newmarket \$6; Nichols Memorial \$1; North Balto. \$8; N. C. Ave. \$5; Northumberland \$5; Oak Grove \$3; Oxford \$5; Parksley \$5; Payson Street \$2; Pipe Creek \$5; Pittsville \$4; Pocomoke City \$9; Pocomoke Circuit \$4; Potomac \$4; Pow-ellville \$3; Prince George \$2; Quantico \$3; Queen Anne \$3; Reliance \$4; R. I. Ave. \$18; Rowlandville \$3; Salem \$3; Salisbury \$8; Seaford \$6; Sel-byville \$2; Sharptown \$5; Snow Hill \$5; South Balto. \$4; Starr \$14; Stewartstown \$5; St. James \$6; St. Johns \$12; St. Lukes \$4; St. Michaels \$5; St. Paul \$5; Susquehanna \$5; Talbot \$3; Taylor Memorial \$3; Trinity \$5; Union \$3; Union Bridge \$4; Violetville \$1; Wallace Memorial \$1; Walterville \$5; Warwick \$4; Waverly \$3; West. Balto. \$14; Westminster \$11; W. Wilmington \$2; Whaleyville \$1; Williamsport \$2; Wilmington \$4; Wilton Heights \$1; Wye \$3. Total, \$650.00.

Report F

Of the Committee on Itinerancy and Orders

The Faculty of Instruction reports as follows:

We recommend that C. M. Adams, W. F. Bauscher, James A. Dudley, Arthur W. Ewell, E. W. Simms, and W. F. Wright be received into the Conference on trial.

That H. E. Norris be placed in the hands of the President.

That R. W. Coe, James A. Dudley, R. Y. Nicholson, and W. C. Mumford be ordained, it being understood, that they shall give in open Conference the usual pledge to finish the course of study.

We report that L. H. Joslin, V. A. Miller, R. W. Coe, R. Y. Nicholson, C. W. Sanderson have been passed to the second year's class.

That W. C. Mumford has been passed to the third year's class, and received 100 in Drinkhouse's History of Methodist Reform.

That M. E. Hungerford, E. L. Beauchamp, and Arthur J. Torrey are passed through the course.

We recommend that license to administer the ordinances be granted to C. M. Adams, W. F. Bauscher, A. W. Ewell, W. F. Wright, E. W. Simms, C. W. Bates, W. McK. Snyder, W. A. Ledford, C. C. Day, G. H. Enfield, F. W. Obee, C. W. Sanderson, L. H. Joslin, V. A. Miller, Robt. Downing, and H. E. Norris.

In accordance with Resolution 14 of the Conference of 1884 empowering the Faculty to recommend the discontinuance of any ministerial member of the Conference who, in their judgment, cannot be profitably employed, we recommend the discontinuance of Rev. J. R. Horsey.

We report a vacancy in the Faculty caused by the election of J. S. Bowers to the Presidency, and recommend that this vacancy be filled.

We also report that D. L. Greenfield has resigned from the Faculty, but in view of the changes in the theological course, we have not called for the filling of this vacancy at this time.

We report that A. B. Dupuy is passed through the course.

J. L. MILLS, Chairman.

Report G

Church Extension

OF THE COMMITTEE

Your Committee on Church Extension submits this report:

We recommend that the same assessment, as last year, be levied upon the Conference district for Church Extension; and that the Conference Treasurer be instructed to borrow \$1002.52, the amount of this year's deficiency.

The reports of the Baltimore City, and of the District of Columbia Church Extension Societies referred to us have been carefully considered, and we are gratified to note the splendid results achieved.

We recommend the adoption of these reports, except such items as relate to the appropriation of money, to the various charges mentioned.

We appreciate the spirit of the report of the Committee on Church Enterprise, regarding a new church in Wilmington, Delaware, and in the need of a Conference Church Extension Evangelist; but at this time circumstances are such as to make it impracticable for your committee to

make any recommendations concerning the interests in question.

Without seeking to impose extra duties upon the President of this Conference, he could greatly help the rapidly growing church extension work of our Conference by presenting the interests of the same to the congregations of the district.

We recommend that the name of Mt. Pleasant Mission, Washington, D. C., be changed to Park Road Methodist Protestant Church; in accordance with the request made.

Appropriations

We regret our utter inability to recommend, at this time, appropriations to all charges deserving assistance.

Alexandria for interest on debt \$100; and on salary \$100	\$200 00
Baltimore City Church Extension Society for St. Paul's Church, on salary \$500 and \$1000 in four annual installments, provided they build a new church	750 00
Bethany, on salary, if supplied with married man	175 00
Calvary, second of five equal annual installments	160 00
Cambridge \$1000 in five annual installments provided they build a church to cost not less than \$10,000.00	200 00
Cannon, on salary	50 00
Christ Church, last installment	400 00
Conquest, on salary	75 00
Crumpton, on salary	50 00
Deer Creek, on salary	50 00
Delmar, on interest	250 00
District of Columbia Church Extension Soc. for Park Road Church on purchase of lot, second of five annual installments \$200, and on salary \$200	400 00
Eutaw, fourth of five annual installments	200 00
Evergreen, on debt	50 00
Fairfax, on salary if supplied with married man	50 00
Felton, on salary	50 00
Georgetown, Delaware, on debt, provided they raise \$800 for that purpose	100 00
Greensboro, on salary	200 00
Hurlock, for Unity Church, last installment	100 00
Kent Island, provided they build church at Winchester	100 00

Laurel, second installment of \$500.00 in four annual payments...	125 00
Milford, second of four annual installments	250 00
Nichols Memorial, on debt of Linthicum Heights Church, to be paid to the special committee appointed by Conference	500 00
Parksley, third installment of five annual payments	200 00
Payson Street, on salary, if supplied with married man	100 00
Quantico, on salary	50 00
St. Michael's, on debt of Claiborne Church	50 00
Salem, provided they raise \$200 on debt	50 00
Selbyville, last installment	125 00
Taylor Memorial, last of two annual installments \$150 and on new church enterprise \$800 in four annual installments, provided they build this year	350 00
Violetville, on salary, if supplied with married man	100 00
Waltersville, provided they build Sunday School Room this year..	100 00
Waverly, for the purchase of ground, provided they raise \$250 for that purpose	100 00
Williamsport, on salary	50 00
Wilton Heights, on debt, provided they raise \$200	150 00
To cover deficiency on last year's collections	1007 52

G. W. HADDAWAY, Chairman.

E. C. MAKOSKY, Secretary.

OF THE BALTIMORE CITY CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY

Dear Brethren:

Again, we are pleased to report to you that progress has been made during the past year.

The debt against St. Paul's Mission assumed by the Society has been paid. The generous gentleman who held the note has placed the amount of \$715.00 in Bank as a nucleus for the Church edifice of St. Paul's Mission.

We recommend for St. Paul's Mission (1) an appropriation on salary of \$500 if constant supply, or \$300 if student supply; (2) that \$1000 be given to the new Church provided that the congregation raise \$500 this year and erect the edifice.

We recommend that Wilton Heights receive \$250 on debt.

We recommend that Waverly be supplied as under previous conditions.

We report that the Society has raised \$1200 for the work during the year.

JOHN S. BOWERS, President.

C. P. NOWLIN, Secretary.

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY

In making this our Annual Report to the Maryland Annual Conference we are frank to confess that we have not accomplished that which we had hoped and prayed we would be able to do. Nevertheless we have accomplished good work for the Master during the past year, and we believe our Society is on a more firm basis than the year past, and is commanding more interest generally throughout the District in our respective churches, and we are now mapping out a campaign for the next few months to greatly increase our membership and thereby arouse greater enthusiasm and individual work amongst our members in the various churches of the city, which we have every reason to believe will be fraught with good results; and we are striving to at least double our membership during the coming year. We feel as though we should have at least 350 members in the District and are going to strive to this end.

Our work at the Park Road Mission, where we have been directing our efforts for the past two years since our organization, have been fraught with wonderful success, but the time has now arrived when we are compelled to do even greater and more definite work, to wit: The two lots we have there, the one on which is a house that rents for \$25.00 per month is really carrying itself from the income of the rent; the other lot on which we have the portable church and on which there is still a lien of \$3,500.00, must be relieved of this burden and a church take the place of the portable one now there, as the congregation has grown to that size when it is imperative that a substantial building be erected there at once, and to this end we have asked the Home Mission Board to give us \$1,000.00 and we are going to raise the balance and thus clear off the indebtedness, so that the lot will be clear of any indebtedness for them to build their church upon; and to this end we beseech the Maryland Annual Conference to heartily endorse our request to the Home Mission Board for the loan of the one thousand dollars mentioned above.

We have elected our Treasurer, Brother William T. Ballard, to represent us at the session of the Conference and he will be pleased to impart any desired information in regard to the details of our work that the Conference may desire. We wish to record our thanks here to the Ministers of our church for their untiring efforts in behalf of the work during the past year, and also to the membership of the city churches for their liberality and valuable aid rendered us during the year, praying that the Lord may bless the session of Conference now assembled, and that the churches may be so endued with the power of the Holy Ghost that they may accomplish even greater things for the Master in the salvation of precious souls during the coming year, and asking the united prayers of the Conference for our work. I have the honor to be, Yours for the Master's work,

THOMAS J. WILSON, President.

OF THE TREASURER OF THE CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY OF THE
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

The Church Extension Society of the District of Columbia requests an appropriation of \$200 for the coming year on pastor's salary for Mount Pleasant Church.

Receipts

Balance on hand, last report	\$ 53 78	
Rent	176 00	
Dues	82 25	
Subscriptions	380 36	
Miscellaneous	154 66	\$ 847 05

Disbursements

Interest	\$ 429 22	
Taxes	11 23	
Repairs	39 55	
Insurance	6 00	
On account Debt	35 50	
Miscellaneous	18 00	
Rev. L. E. Purdum, (on salary)	150 00	
On account Church Building	149 35	\$ 838 85
Balance on hand		\$ 8 20

WM. T. BALLARD, Treasurer.

Report H

Superannuates

OF THE COMMITTEE

Your Committee respectfully reports:—

1st, We recommend that \$4500 be assessed on the District.

2d, That the request of Rev. J. W. Gray for a Superannuate relation be granted.

3d, To meet urgent need the Treasurer be authorized to pay to Rev. J. L. Straughn \$50 additional to his appropriation for last year. In view

of expense incident upon her illness, \$25 in addition to her appropriation be paid to Mrs. E. R. McGregor of the receipts of next year.

Appropriations

Rev. J. W. Gray	\$500	Mrs. S. A. Hoblitzell	250
Rev. W. D. Litsinger	500	Mrs. J. B. Jones	150
Rev. W. J. Lucas	325	Mrs. J. L. Kilgore	100
Rev. R. S. Rowe	500	Mrs. R. L. Lewis	250
Rev. W. M. Strayer	550	Mrs. C. H. Littleton	175
Rev. J. L. Straughn	500	Mrs. E. R. McGregor	75
Rev. S. J. Smith	550	Mrs. A. D. Melvin	375
Rev. J. G. Sullivan	250	Mrs. C. B. Middleton	125
Rev. J. A. Weigand	300	Mrs. H. E. Miskimon	125
Rev. J. E. Nicholson	325	Mrs. W. J. Neeper	150
Mrs. D. Bowers (makes no claim)		Mrs. John Roberts	225
Mrs. J. W. Charlton	175	Mrs. D. A. Shermer	75
Mrs. C. T. Cochel	75	Mrs. G. J. Smith	150
Mrs. H. C. Cushing	150	Mrs. B. P. Truitt	375
Mrs. W. T. Dumm	225	Mrs. S. G. Valiant	100
Mrs. J. M. Elderdice	225	Mrs. A. J. Walter	250
Mrs. J. H. S. Ewell	250	Mrs. P. L. Wilson	125
Mrs. W. J. Floyd	150	Mrs. R. S. Williamson	225
Mrs. S. T. Ferguson	150		
Mrs. D. N. Gilbert	125		
			<hr/> \$8800

A. W. MATHER, Chairman.

OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE

Your Special Committee on the resolution concerning the Superannuated Fund Society respectfully submits the following:

1. That the substitute for regulation No. 2, page 111 of the Minutes of 1911, is in harmony with the constitution of said Society. We, therefore, recommend the adoption of this substitute.
2. We recommend the striking out of regulation No. 6, page 111, Minutes of 1911.
3. We recommend that there shall be added to regulation 7, page 111, Minutes of 1911, the question, "What is the amount of your private income?"
4. We recommend that a committee of five be appointed to take into consideration a revision of the constitution of this Society.

J. M. SHERIDAN, Chairman.

Report I

Of the Committee on Literature and Education

I. LITERATURE.

It is gratifying to know that the gains of the Baltimore Book Directory have been greater than the losses. We note with pleasure that the Book and Supply Department continues to yield satisfactory returns, and that the mail order trade is steadily increasing. We congratulate our Agent, Brother T. R. Woodford, whose careful planning and diligent efforts have made possible the splendid Book and Supply Department which we now have at 316 North Charles St., Baltimore, Maryland, and earnestly urge a liberal patronage upon the part of the whole Church.

We regret that there has been a large falling off in the subscription list of the "Methodist Protestant". During the year 528 subscriptions have lapsed, thereby reducing the number of subscriptions to 224 less than a year ago, and making the list smaller than it has been during the past eight years.

The loss in publication this year is over \$700.00 greater than the loss in publication last year. Surely this large falling off in subscriptions and heavy loss in publication should arouse the whole church to a diligent and thorough canvass for an increased circulation. We recommend that our pastors continue to emphasize the importance of the "Protestant", and that they do their utmost to secure new subscriptions.

We make affectionate reference to the following items of the report and concur in all this expression:

"Our editor, Dr. F. T. Tagg, has signified his intentions of retiring from the work at the next session of our General Conference."

"We here record our appreciation of his long continued service in the interest of our church paper, and we do most earnestly express the hope that our people throughout the patronizing Conferences will be ready to give their support and co-operation to the new editor, whoever the man may be, whom the General Conference shall elect."

II. COLLEGE

We have carefully considered the report of the President of Western Maryland College, and are pleased with all the encouraging features of it. It is gratifying to note that steady advancements in "property values" and in "educational efficiency" have been made.

We are happy in believing, with our honored President, Dr. T. H. Lewis, that Western Maryland College has won an enviable position in the educational world, and share with him the same opinion that this position has been won by a "steady adherence" to "true educational ideals," and by setting "Christian culture" above all others in importance and value.

We note that the student roll for this year, which is about the average enrollment, is only four-fifths the capacity of the College. We believe that the Methodist Protestant Church has a great opportunity in Western Maryland College, and, therefore, urge our pastors and people to do their utmost to bring the student enrollment up to the full capacity of the College next year.

We are pleased to note that plans are now on foot for the erection of a much needed modern educational building, and are also gratified to know that the College will be able to take care of one-half the cost of this building. We commend this new building project and pledge our co-operation.

III. SEMINARY

We congratulate the President of the Seminary, Dr. H. L. Elderdice, and the Board of Governors on their successful management.

We are glad to note that the Seminary has profited financially by a legacy of \$2,500 from Mrs. E. J. Drinkhouse, and a legacy of \$1,000 from Dr. J. D. Kinzer.

We recommend that the request of the Board of Governors' that the same assessment as last year be levied upon the district, and that H. L. Elderdice be assigned as president for the ensuing year, be granted.

We recommend for the next Quadrennium as the Maryland Members of the Board of Governors of the Westminster Theological Seminary, J. M. Gill, J. L. Mills, J. W. Kirk, Dr. J. W. Hering, and T. Pliny Fisher.

F. T. LITTLE, Chairman.

OF THE BALTIMORE BOOK DIRECTORY

To the Maryland Annual Conference:

We are glad again to be able to report that our gains have been greater than our losses.

As shown by the accompanying statements, our business in the sale of Sunday School papers and in the sale of Books and Supplies, has been very gratifying, as we have a net gain in these two Departments of \$2914.00; a slight increase over the preceding year.

We have good reason for believing that the Book and Supply Department will continue to yield satisfactory returns. Our mail order trade is gradually increasing, while in Baltimore city we have been specially encouraged by the growth of our business.

For the Methodist Protestant we regret that we have not such a satisfactory report to make. Our people have continued to manifest an amazing amount of indifference toward its support. During the year 528 have discontinued their subscriptions, so that at this time we have 224 subscribers less than we had a year ago, making our list smaller than it has been during the past eight years.

Our loss on publishing the paper the past year is \$1061.70, which is \$701.83 greater than it was the preceding year.

We hope however that a new era is dawning for the Methodist Protestant. Its publication has long been a burden upon the other departments of our work. During the past eight years the expenses for publishing the paper have amounted to \$5694.19 more than the receipts. This amount has of course been provided out of the gains in the other departments and thus to that extent lessened our net profits.

Our capital at the close of the Quadrennial period is \$19,850.95, which is an increase in eight years of \$7,922.02, but if there had been no loss on the Methodist Protestant our gain for that period would have been \$13,616.28, and our capital would be \$25,545.14. Naturally, there is a feeling of great relief when we consider that since the benefits from the Drinkhouse Fund will now become available for the support of the Methodist Protestant, there surely ought to be no further demand made upon the gains in the other departments of our work for the provision for the deficit in the expenses of the paper. If our people would give their church paper the support it should have, there would be no loss at all, but surely the loss that may occur hereafter should never exceed the amount available from the Drinkhouse Fund.

Our editor, Dr. F. T. Tagg, has signified his intentions of retiring from the work at the next session of our General Conference.

We here record our appreciation of his long-continued service in the interests of our church paper; and we do most earnestly express the hope that our people throughout the patronizing Conferences will be ready to give their support and co-operation to the new editor, whoever the man may be, whom the General Conference shall select.

N. T. MEGINNISS, President.

J. L. MILLS, Secretary.

OF THE BALTIMORE BOOK CONCERN

Assets

Cash on hand and in Bank	\$ 279 45	
Suspense accounts, Methodist Protestant	145 13	
Meth. Prot. Comm. & Disct. (Dr. Tagg's Books) . . .	121 60	
Accrued Advertising Methodist Protestant	93 58	
Loan:—		
Trustees of Maryland Annual Conference	171 36	
Balto. Post Office, Special Deposit	25 00	
Advance Orders acct. S. S. Periodicals	1195 00	
Furniture and Fixtures	1698 67	
Meth. Prot. Paper Inventory	103 12	
Property Improvement and Expense	524 29	
Accounts Receivable	3066 51	
Stock Inventory S. S. Periodicals	3 08	
Merchandise:		
Hymnal Plates	\$ 600 00	
660 sets Drinkhouse History	495 00	1095 00
Other Stock	15269 84	16364 84
General Expense (Office Supplies)		141 12
		\$23932 75
Liabilities		
Capital		\$19850 95
Advance Subscriptions Meth. Prot.	\$ 95 37	
Advance Subscriptions S. S. Periodicals	645 27	740 64
Accounts Payable		3341 16
		\$23932 75

T. R. WOODFORD, Agent.

General Income and Expense Statement for Year Ending Feb. 29, 1912

Methodist Protestant:	Receipts	
Sales	\$ 3997 63	
Advertising	808 07	
Profit and Loss (Suspense accounts)	120 95	\$4926 65
Sunday School Periodicals: Sales		\$11039 04
Merchandise:		
Commission and Discount	86 97	
Sales	20307 06	\$20394 03
General: Interest		\$ 8 16
		\$36367 88

Disbursements

Methodist Protestant:

Commission and Discount	\$	96	55	
Paper		691	21	
Postage		185	87	
Expense		93	41	
Printing		2420	02	
Salary		2268	67	
General Expense		232	62	\$ 5988 35

Sunday School Periodicals:

Purchases	\$	7529	09	
Postage, Express and Freight		385	29	
Expense		195	98	
Profit and Loss		27	42	
Salary		1436	71	
General Expense		232	62	\$ 9807 11

Merchandise:

Salary	\$	2394	52	
Purchases		14902	68	
Expense		1113	27	
General Expense		232	62	
Profit and Loss		68	87	\$18711 96

General:

Furniture and Fixtures	\$	188	74	
Profit and Loss		536	30	
General Conference Expense		64	20	789 24
Balance Net Gain				1071 22

\$36367 88

T. R. WOODFORD, Agent.

OF THE PRESIDENT OF WESTERN MARYLAND COLLEGE

April 10, 1912.

To the Maryland Annual Conference.

Dear Brethren:—I have the honor of presenting a report of my work for the past year as President of Western Maryland College. The College is about to close the forty-fifth year of its continuous and successful operation. The enrollment of students number 237, which is about our average enrollment. Our graduating class numbers thirty, which is smaller than usual. Our Faculty has included twenty-two professors and instructors. We are grateful for the general good health of the students, and for our freedom from every sort of disaster. The year has been uneventful, but we are grateful to believe that improvement both in property values and in educational efficiency has been steadily going on. In fact it is scarcely boasting to say that Western Maryland College has attained an enviable position in the educational world, respected by all who know anything of it, and loved by an increasing number of loyal sons and daughters.

I believe—and I am sure this Conference will fully agree with me—that this position has been won by a steady adherence to true educational ideals, but most of all by keeping constantly in view from the first year of its foundation to the present the guiding conviction that Western Maryland College is a Christian school. Its first president, Rev. James Thomas Ward, D.D., of blessed memory was happily so constituted and endowed that he naturally impressed this character upon the school in the beginning, and his loving reign continued so long that when he retired the school had received the indelible impression which had to be only cherished to be made permanent. This character of the school has been used by some persons to affix upon it the stigma of sectarian, but nothing could be more untruthfully said of it. Its charter expressly forbids it to subject either teachers or students to any religious tests; it teaches no sectarian or even denominational tenets, and it scrupulously respects the ecclesiastical scruples and preferences of all its members. But it sets Christian culture above every other in importance and value; it tolerates no irreligious teaching; it believes in God and reveres His Christ, and declares as its motto the word of Christ in the spirit of Christ: "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free." If we are approaching a time when such a College is to become the mark for the depreciating estimate of godless educational theorists it is time the Church awaked to enthusiastic support of its stronghold, for when the Church ceases to lead the thought of its time its very citadel falls.

The Methodist Protestant Church has in Western Maryland College a great opportunity, not to amass valuable property, nor to make denominational converts, but to testify to the children of its generation its loyalty to Jesus Christ and to teach them the truth as it is in Jesus.

It seems to be the duty of the president to suggest to the Church from time to time how this opportunity may be utilized to the best results, and I have now to ask your serious attention to a few suggestions:

Students.

There are still a few of our preachers who seem not to have heard whether there be a Western Maryland College. Young people go from their community and the preacher does not know they are going to College; or they talk of going to College and the preacher says nothing of Western Maryland. But I am glad to say that many of our preachers are among our most effective agencies in securing students. They that turn the young people to College are wise and they that tell them about Western Maryland shall shine as the stars. We have a capacity for three hundred students and as long as our student roll remains at 240 we are wasting one-fifth of our capacity and much of our efficiency. May I not ask, therefore, that pastors will give some time and thought to this important matter during the next three months—the vitally important time for this business?

Endowment

I reported last year an invested fund for the endowment of the College of \$67,000.00. This has been increased during the year and I expect to report to the next meeting of the Trustees a fund of \$75,000.00. If I were reporting this to an association of College presidents, I should be set down at once as an unqualified failure as a money-raiser, considering the fact that I have been president of this College twenty-six years. The fund is small, too small for useful service in expansion or for efficient protection against disaster. How shall it be increased and when? I must speak in the Conference annually through the Sunday Schools which now yields about \$1400.00, and which we may now regard as a permanent income. I travelled a year over the district trying to popularize the idea of this collection and finally succeeded in getting Conference to endorse it by a vote of 64 to 60, but it got in and now I think one may say that as collections go it is fairly popular.

Outside of this collection and the interest income of the invested fund nothing is being done to increase our endowment. I am distressed by this state of things. Only one Methodist Protestant in Maryland and Delaware has even left the College anything by will. The aggregate of all the gifts of its alumni does not exceed fifteen thousand dollars. Has the time then arrived for a special effort to be made to increase endowment? Is the Church ready and is the man in sight? Here I must fall back upon your judgment. But I testify unto you this day that no College is secure without endowment, and that at present Western Maryland College has only the name of an endowment.

A New Building

Perhaps my indecision may be accounted for by the fact that another important need of the College seems to be demanding instant attention. I refer to a new building to provide enlarged and improved facilities for recitation and lecture rooms, laboratories, etc. The present recitation rooms are scattered about in three buildings and were sufficient for our needs twenty years ago, but they are not adequate now. We ought to provide now a building equal to the demands, a great, modern education building where all our educational work could be done under the most favorable circumstances; an imposing structure which would tell the story of our progress and standing at a glance. The Standing Committee of the Board of Trustees at a joint meeting recently held recommended that such a building should be erected. This project engages my interest greatly and I would be glad if the Conference could be induced to commend it. We would probably require fifty thousand dollars to do all we ought to do in this building. I can see how one-half of this amount might be provided by the College itself on a plan I need not detail here. Will the Church give the other half? If I can secure the support of the Conference I believe a plan could be proposed by which this amount can be raised in our own Conference at least within a few years. This is the most formidable building project we have ever undertaken, but I am convinced we are able to do it and ought to do it. And I will add that nothing will do more to inspire the respect of our contemporaries than to show in this way that we know how to respond to a great call. We shall build into such a structure more than stone and mortar; we will put into it the character and the ability of the Methodist Protestant Church.

Respectfully submitted,

T. H. LEWIS, President.

OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF WESTMINSTER THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

The Board of Governors of the Westminster Theological Seminary begs leave to submit its thirtieth annual report:

Thirty-three students have been enrolled for the year, representing ten annual Conferences. The Senior class is composed of 15 students representing seven Conferences.

A course of special lectures has been maintained during the year and the following friends have contributed to the Free Scholarship Fund:— Joseph Baker, \$100; Alumni Association, \$100; Rhode Island Avenue Church, \$100; W. W. Hubbard (Josephine Hubbard memorial), \$100; Cash, \$100; T. W. Mather, \$100; St. Pauls, Inwood, N. Y., \$168.75; I. C.

Sterling, \$50; Friends, \$52.94; Mrs. Amanda Peterson, \$200—a total of \$1071.69.

The following churches have been visited since last Conference in the interest of the Endowment Fund: Eutaw, Rhode Island Avenue, Cumberland, Cumberland Circuit, Buckeystown, East Baltimore, Finksburg Circuit and Alnutt Memorial. Year before last the following churches were visited for the same Fund: Broadway, St. Johns, Delta, Cambria, Starr, Violetville, North Baltimore, St. Lukes, Lauraville, South Baltimore, Hampden, Bethany and Evegreen.

When these various pledges shall have been paid a full report will be given as to the entire amount contributed by each charge.

The North Carolina Cottage was completed last September and is now occupied by Dr. Forlines of the Faculty. A canvass has been started in the West Virginia Conference to secure funds for the erection of a West Virginia Cottage to be occupied by Prof. Douglas of the Faculty.

The Seminary has profited financially by a legacy of \$2500 from Mrs. E. J. Drinkhouse and a legacy of \$1000 from Dr. J. D. Kinzer.

The most important movement of the year was the calling of Dr. H. L. Feeman to the chair of Biblical and Practical Theology. Two years ago last June the Adrian College inaugurated the Adrian Theological Seminary with Dr. Feeman as president. Last Commencement it was decided that our denomination is not large enough to support two theological seminaries and the Adrian school was closed. Believing that it would not only consolidate our theological interests but at the same time meet a long felt need in the Westminster Theological Seminary, Dr. Feeman was called to the position he now occupies. So far as his salary was concerned it was a matter of faith; for there was not a dollar in sight to meet the increased cost of the additional member of the Faculty. However, the western Conferences responded to the appeal of the president of the Seminary; and his visitations to charges of the Pittsburgh Conference during the winter have resulted in sufficient pledges to meet the new situation without calling upon the Maryland Conference for an additional dollar of assessment. The new professor has proven himself a valuable addition to the Faculty.

We record with deep sorrow the death of Dr. Kinzer, who from the beginning of the Seminary has been one of the most loyal and valuable members of the Board of Governors.

The Board respectfully requests the same assessment as last year be levied upon the district and that H. L. Elderdice be assigned as president for the ensuing year.

THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS.

Report K

Young People's Work

OF THE COMMITTEE

Your Committee on Young People's Work offers the following report:—

We are glad to report that during the past year there has been an encouraging increase in the interests of the Sunday Schools and Christian Endeavor. There have been 4039 new scholars added since last Conference, making now a total of 34,032 scholars and teachers in our Sunday Schools; while in Christian Endeavor there has been an increase of 6 Societies and 620 members, the pastors' reports showing 137 Y. P. S. C. E. with 5599 members and 69 Junior C. E. Societies with 2623 members. It is not encouraging to report that 39 charges have no C. E. Society and 83 have no Junior Society.

By approved plans and methods the Conference Union of Young People's Work is endeavoring to use the talents and develop the working power of this host of young people. We especially commend the efforts put forth in the Efficiency Campaign, which has given promise of larger things; and we earnestly trust that there will continue to be a gratifying increase from this movement.

From the returned blanks sent to the pastors by the President of the Union, we mention the following figures, some of them gratifying, while others show large opportunity for extended development. In our 285 Sunday Schools there are:—2 Mission Study Classes; 25 Male Adult Organized Bible Classes; 12 Female Adult Organized Bible Classes; 11 Mixed Adult Organized Bible Classes; 11 Teacher Training Classes, Membership of 85; 42 Cradle Rolls; 27 Beginners Classes; 19 Home Departments, membership of 510. These figures show that most of our Sunday Schools have not yet been graded in the several departments. If this were done, it would be a long step forward into more efficient service. A large opportunity is afforded for the development of Adult Bible Classes, when we consider that of the 7,093 adults in our churches considerably less than half are connected with our Sunday Schools.

For our Christian Endeavor Societies the most important work is the support of Rev. Leigh Layman, the C. E. Missionary in Japan. There have been contributed by the Societies, since the last Conference \$884.00 toward the thousand dollars pledged by the Union. This is a matter of vital importance, and deserves the utmost co-operation of our pastors with the Officers of the Union.

The Board of Young People's Work of the Methodist Protestant Church is leading our young people into broader fields of activity, and its plans are to be commended by this Conference.

We call attention to the convention of the Denominational Union of Young People's Work which will meet in Broadway Church, Baltimore, May 14-16, immediately preceding the General Conference. This is the most representative gathering of the Christian Endeavor and Sunday School workers in our denomination; and we urge pastors to encourage their young people to attend this convention.

We request that the excellent report of the President of the Conference Union, made to this Conference, be inserted in the Minutes following this report.

We recommend:—

First—That the pastors co-operate with the officers of the Conference Union, in continuing the Efficiency Campaign, among all our Societies, for new members and larger attendance at the meetings: and with the Missionary Superintendent of the Union in his effort to raise a thousand dollars for Rev. Leigh Layman.

Second—That the pastors and Sunday School Superintendents wherever possible introduce the graded system in their schools, specially of Beginners Classes, Adult Bible Classes, and Teacher Training Classes.

Third—That the Sunday Schools and C. E. Societies make an annual contribution to the Denominational Board of Young People's Work at the rate of not less than five cents per member.

Fourth—That a contribution to the Conference Union for its work, of not less than two dollars annually from each Sunday School and C. E. Society be requested.

EDGAR REED, Chairman.

OF THE PRESIDENT

Washington, D. C., April 5, 1912.

Dear Brethren:—As the President of the Union of Young People's Work, an organization created by and under the direction of this Conference, it seems to be eminently proper that I should present to you some report of the work of the Union for the year just closed, and to indicate something of our plans for the future.

By the statistics returned last Conference there were enrolled in the organizations under our direction 42,574 members. While there is some duplication in these figures owing to the fact that many of the members belong to both organizations, there still remains a host of young people which at the critical period of life, is looking to the church for direction and instruction. These young people are the chief asset of the Conference in the problem of its progress and perpetuation. What we make out of these young, and plastic lives will determine what will be the character of our constituency in future days. In the judgment of many who think seriously upon the subject, the training and care of this youthful contingency

of our church life is quite the largest question with which we, as a Conference, have to deal.

Great and significant changes have taken place in the attitude of the church toward the child in recent years. These changes have come about in part through the changing conditions of our social life, and because of the marvelous strides which have been made in the sciences of Pedagogy, and Psychology. We have come to know the wonderful nature of youth as we did not understand it in the recent past. We are able therefore better to train and direct it. The modern Sunday School is built upon this enlarged knowledge, and promises larger usefulness because it knows the child, and has discovered many of the laws which are inherent in its nature. The same is true of the Christian Endeavor Society. Just so far as we approach the young through the avenues, and gateways which God has put into their nature, can we have power to mould their lives into the fashion and beauty of the life of Christ.

The object of this Union is to reach more of the young, to better train them in the Word of God, to more fit them for service, and, not least of all, to create within them a more intense loyalty to the Methodist Protestant Church. To reach these high ideals we have been advocating certain new methods which have been found successful by others who have been active in the same field of work as that to which you have called us. Two very serious handicaps have impeded our progress; the work is largely new to us, and the time we can devote to it is limited by the imperious call of our pastorates. Still we think we have made some headway.

Convention

At Alnutt Memorial Church, Baltimore, we held our last Convention. It was the largest, and most enthusiastic Convention yet held. In numbers it far outstripped any other similar Convention, registering over four hundred delegates. But it was not the numbers which formed its chief cause of encouragement, but that which gave us the most pleasure was that in its constituency ninety-seven charges of the Conference were represented, and that seventy-five of the pastors of the Conference were in attendance at one or more of its sessions. The value of such a representative body can hardly be calculated, when we consider its inspirational influence toward better methods, and higher efficiency for the future.

Definite Objects

The first of these is the Increase and Efficiency Campaign under the leadership of Rev. L. F. Warner. The special object of the campaign is to increase the numbers engaged in our Christian Endeavor work, and to make them more efficient. Already splendid returns for his labors are being reported to the superintendent. The cooperation of this entire Conference is earnestly solicited for this scheme.

In connection with this work a tour on the Eastern Shore was planned and successfully carried out. The party consisted of three of the officers of the Union. Everywhere we received the heartiest welcome, and we feel that the work was stimulated. The cost of the tour was met, with the exception of a small deficiency, by collections taken at the meetings.

Under Rev. R. L. Shipley, the Missionary Superintendent, the raising of the salary of our Conference Missionary has become a vital work among us. Brother Shipley has a sane and workable plan, and with proper support he will see to it that we no longer face the humiliation of making a promise we do not keep.

No movement of the Conference is making more rapid strides than the Adult Bible Class idea, especially in the larger churches. In this movement is largest promise, for no problem so presses us today as that of catching and holding the men and boys for the church. Rev. L. B. Smith is the Superintendent of this work, and is thoroughly experienced, and capable to be a help to any of you who may anticipate progress along this line.

Not much has been yet attempted in the Teacher Training, the Elementary, and the Home Departments; but these are all very important, and will be taken up later with vigor. We have felt that it is not wise to attempt too much at once lest we produce confusion rather than progress.

Brotherhood

At the meeting of the Executive Committee, held at our last Convention, it was determined to ask the Convention to adopt a memorial to this session of the Conference petitioning that immediate and effective steps be taken to organize a Conference Brotherhood. This was done and I hereby present the petition. This Brotherhood may be so organized as to include the various male Adult Classes, and so prevent a needless multiplication of machinery.

With other manifest advantages which such an organization possesses, not the least is that it will form a point of contact between our church and the great movements among men which have been sweeping over this land for some years past.

We hope you will regard the plea of the Union in this matter. The Brotherhood may be included under the Union's plan of work if you so wish.

In the view of the enlarged vision of the Young People's Work it will be seen that a larger income is needed to carry on the work intelligently and effectively. The work is really in its inception. In some way an assured income ought to be provided for this work. If it shall be the pleasure of the Conference a complete financial report, can be made at each annual session, of receipts and expenditures.

Whether the income necessary to finance this work shall come from voluntary contributions, or by some plan of Conference action is of course for you to determine; but if our men are willing to give the time and make the sacrifice to bring our Young People's Work up to the standard of other denominations, it seems only fair that this Conference shall consider carefully some plan by which a sufficient income shall be guaranteed which will make their efforts efficient.

In closing this report I wish personally again, as I have done in other places, to express my very high appreciation of the hearty and efficient cooperation of my brethren of the Conference in all the many appeals for help which I have been compelled to make to them. In this good word I am joined by all my associates in this work. Without the assistance of the pastors this great cause must lag or fail.

Respectfully submitted,

F. T. BENSON, President.

Report L

Of the Committee on Moral Reform

Your Committee on Moral Reform begs leave to submit the following report.

Sabbath Observance

We have noted with interest the healthy growth of sentiment in favor of the "Lord's Day Alliance", and its purpose even in the face of the fact that violation and desecration of the Sabbath still seems to be on the increase. While in many, and doubtless most places, open shops, stores, saloons, and places of amusement are still on the increase, and large corporations such as the railroads and great manufacturing plants are still planning for the increase of Sabbath labor, in some places conscience in this matter is awakening and men in increasing numbers are favoring the Sunday closing laws. We, therefore, most heartily endorse the efforts and work of "The Lord's Day Alliance", and recommend that the ministers of the Conference continue to do all in their power to bring about a clean Sabbath.

We heartily endorse the resolution petitioning the Congress of the United States to pass the bill before that body relative to closing the Post Offices of this country on the Sabbath Day.

Since last Conference the following results have been obtained along this line.

(a) All Post Offices in Maryland have closed the carrier windows on the Sabbath Day.

(b) No Sunday Work clause is allowed in Baltimore City Municipal Contracts.

(c) The Mayor of Baltimore has refused to issue any more Sunday Parade permits to Brass Bands.

(d) The House Judiciary Committee of the Maryland Legislature unanimously returned an unfavorable report on a bill to make Sunday work legal for those who keep a Saturday Sabbath, and at the request of friends of the bill it was not reported at all.

(e) The Baltimore County delegation refused to introduce a bill to legalize Sunday Baseball in Baltimore County.

We recommend that the President be authorized to appoint a committee of five with the President of the Conference as chairman, one from the Eastern Shore, one from the Western Shore, and two from Baltimore, to co-operate with the Lord's Day Alliance of Maryland.

These facts give powerful evidence of a healthy growth along the lines of Sabbath observance and should encourage us to press the fight with renewed vigor.

Temperance

The Temperance question has reached that point where Christian men cannot fail to see their duty. This question overshadows all others in moral reform. The saloon is more largely responsible for the debauching of politics and the overthrow of clean men in politics than any other agency. It not only insolently nullifies our laws by placing, as far as possible, its minions on our police forces to openly ignore the law, but it audaciously usurps our law making bodies and makes laws for its own convenience. It goes infinitely further and with these laws and hirelings as an excuse and defense reaches into our homes to deprive them of their manhood, robs the coming generation of their heritage and leaves in its place a heritage of disease and idiocy and drives our womanhood to the madhouse or to the premature grave.

We believe that no follower of Christ can vote either for the licensing of the sale of liquor or for the man who will vote for it in our law making bodies.

We reaffirm the action of this Conference in previous years and put ourselves on record as in hearty co-operation with the Anti-Saloon League, the W. C. T. U., and all other agencies whose purpose is the abolition of the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors.

We endorse that part of our retiring president's report which says:—"The indignation of the great hosts of the citizens of Maryland has been aroused as never before by the disgraceful scenes recently enacted in the

Maryland Legislature, when prominent politicians made alliance with the liquor element of Baltimore City to defeat the Local Option Bill, and thus deprive the citizens of the state of the Constitutional right to determine at the polls whether or not the Saloon shall be licensed to debauch manhood and bring untold suffering to all classes of society. I am sure I voice the sentiment of this great Conference, with churches in Baltimore and 18 counties of the State, in giving public expression of our confidence in the Anti-Saloon League and its Superintendent, Mr. William H. Anderson, and repudiate in the strongest terms the efforts of members of both houses of the legislature to malign him.

We stand ready to give the Temperance forces of Maryland our support in carrying this fight into every legislative district in the State in an uncompromising and unyielding effort to defeat for the legislature two years hence those who refused to support this just measure."

We reaffirm our confidence in Mr. Anderson and our endorsement of the splendid work which he has done.

We desire to express our commendation of the splendid work done by Mr. J. Bibb Mills, the attorney for the Anti-Saloon League. His work has been of that type which makes us justly proud that he is one of our men.

The campaign of the Anti-Saloon League which has just closed in Maryland has been one of the most powerfully educative campaigns ever waged in this country. It has placed us at least ten years ahead in the final consummation of our purpose which is the total abolition of the liquor traffic in Maryland.

We believe that the movement for the passage of an Inter-state Liquor Shipment bill such as the Sheppard-Kenyon bill now united upon by all temperance forces has reached a place where it is legitimate to ask that candidates for the United States Senate shall declare themselves on this question, and to ask members of the Legislature to agree to vote only for such candidates as will agree to stand for legislation which will permit the states to enforce their own valid liquor laws.

We record our indignation over being defrauded of our right of self-government on the liquor question after the people had elected a majority of members in both houses of the legislature whom they had a right to expect would support the proposed statewide local option bill.

We call the attention of our own and all good people to the fact that there is more than the passage of a liquor law involved in the menace to free institutions in the spectacle of a legislature which started in favor of reasonable legislation on a moral question being corrupted or overpowered by the representatives of a wicked special interest like the liquor traffic. And we record it as our deliberate opinion that no Christian man can afford or has the right to vote for any candidate for the next legislature who will not unequivocally and publicly pledge himself not only to support the local option bill but to stand for such organization of the legis-

ature and such parliamentary procedure as will insure fair consideration early in the session.

In our judgment the passage of the local option bill has become a patriotic necessity in order to break the liquor domination of politics in Maryland by defeating the Baltimore City liquor ring through which that control has been exercised. We therefore suggest that not only all Christian temperance people but all men throughout the counties who stand for clean politics and decent government shall rally to the help of the Christian temperance people of Baltimore under the slogan "Pass the State-wide Local Option Bill to save Baltimore from the liquor ring!"

This Conference believes that the time has come to notify the politicians of Maryland that they must decide whether they will pass the local option bill in 1914 or face a fight for constitutional state-wide prohibition in 1916.

We desire to express our appreciation of the fairness shown by the Baltimore Sun, and especially by the Evening Sun in reporting the events of the recent campaign.

We believe that the day is not far distant when there shall not be a legalized saloon in the State of Maryland; when our women may safely walk our streets and when our children shall come into their rightful heritage. May God speed the day.

S. F. CASSEN, Chairman.

J. L. NICHOLS, Secretary.

Report M

Benevolent Agencies

OF THE COMMITTEE

We have examined the annual reports of the Board of Managers, the Board of Lady Visitors and Treasurer.

There are now sixteen inmates of the Home. This with the working force make eighteen to be provided for. The affairs have been conducted judicially and economically. Your Committee recommends the continuance of the assessment of \$1500.00 for the ensuing year.

The amount expended this year on current expenses was \$1987.15. The indebtedness on the building is \$3573.96 as against \$3883.58 a year ago. We recommend the taking regularly of the public collection for Bible and Tract Society.

W. R. GRAHAM, Chairman.

OF BOARD OF MANAGERS, OUR CHURCH HOME

To the Maryland Annual Conference,

Dear Brethren:—The Board of Managers of The Church Home herewith submits, through its Executive Committee, a report of the operations of The Home, for the past year, and its condition at this time.

Two persons have been received into the Home during the year, and there has been one death. The number of inmates at the present time is 16, there being 13 women and 3 men. The expenses for conducting the Home, for the past year, have been \$351.75 more than the previous year. Two things contribute to this result. First, the increase in the prices of almost everything that is necessary for the maintenance of the institution, and then, during the past year we have had one more inmate than the former year.

In order to enable them to conduct their affairs on a cash basis, the Ladies have been compelled to borrow, during the past year \$1475 from the Church Home Treasury. The amount received by them, prior to Conference, from Pastors on assessment, has been \$379.15 or \$136.35 less than the same period of the previous year.

We call the special attention of the Conference to the full and explicit report of Mrs. E. O. Grimes, Prest. of the Lady Visitors.

As will be seen by the Treasurer's report, there is still a debt on the New Building of \$3573.96 as against \$3883.58 a year ago. Of this indebtedness \$2989.96 has been loaned from the Church Home Treasury, and ought to be replaced as speedily as possible. The loss to the Treasury on this non-interest bearing loan, represents about \$150. per annum. The balance of the indebtedness is due to the Westminster Savings Bank, at 5%. We hope the Conference may be able to devise some plan to pay the remaining debt upon the New Building, and leave our Church Home property entirely clear of encumbrance.

We also call attention to the fact, that the collections do not cover the current expenses of the Home. The deficit a year ago was \$237.90 and the deficit will be greater this year, although the exact figures cannot be given until the Home Steward makes his report.

Realizing that the Conference and the Church at large are deeply interested in this beneficent work we are carrying on at Westminster, we have thought it proper and necessary to lay the exact facts of its needs before you.

We respectfully ask that the assessment be continued, and increased, if it seems wise to the Conference to do so.

J. W. HERING, Chairman.

OF THE TREASURER OF THE CHURCH HOME

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Amount in hands of Treasurer, April 1911	\$ 836 54	
Amount received from Conference Steward	882 00	
Amount received from Order of Red Men	42 00	
Amount received for entrance fee, Miss Downing	300 00	
Amount received for entrance fee, Mr. McCann	300 00	
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		\$2360 54

Dr.

Amount paid Lady Visitors	\$1475 00	
Amount paid Building Fund	439 96	
Amount of sundry expenses	312 56	
Amount in hands of Treasurer	133 02	\$2360 54

Building Fund Account

Amount due Westminster Savings Bank	\$ 800 00	
Amt. borrowed from Church Home Treasury	2989 96	
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		\$3789 96
Less amount in hands of Treasurer	216 00	
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		\$3573 96

J. W. HERING, Treasurer.

OF BOARD OF LADY VISITORS, OUR CHURCH HOME

The Board of Lady Visitors have been working to keep expenses for the Home as low as possible. Receipts from Pastors have been less this year and we are still compelled to borrow from the permanent fund. With a family of eighteen and the high prices of household supplies it keeps us busy and we do our best to economize in every particular. If our Pastors would interest themselves earlier, and not wait until Conference meets to send their assessments, we could carry on this noble charity much more satisfactorily. It is just as important to look after this interest as any other in our Church and it should appeal to all.

We received many nice donations at Christmas and trust that next Christmas they may be doubled.

I herewith submit my report for receipts and expenses for the year 1911.

Dr.

In hand of Treasurer April 1911	\$ 81 11
Received during the year from Pastors	379 15
Borrowed from permanent fund	1475 00

Special:—

From St. Johns, per Mrs. Meekens	15 40
From Mrs. Rice	1 00
From Mrs. Hoblitzell	1 00
From Mr. Topham	15 00
From Mrs. Whaley	5 00
From Wilton Heights	1 00
From St. Johns, per Mrs. Wroten	2 85
From R. I. Avenue Church	3 25
From T. A. Murray, W. Balto. S. S.	11 50
From Seattle Church, per Rev. J. M. Gill	25 00
From H. K. Muller, St. Johns	5 00
From Rev. Wm. J. Thomson, Drew Theol. Seminary	10 00

\$2031 26

Cr.

Expenses, including coal and lumber	\$1987 15
Balance in hands of Treasurer	44 11
	\$2031 26

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. E. O. GRIMES, President.

OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON REQUEST OF BOARD

The special committee to which was referred the item in the report of our Church Home concerning the indebtedness submits the following:

We recommend that the Sunday before Thanksgiving Day be recognized in all the Churches of the District as Our Church Home Day, when sermons appropriate shall be preached by the pastors; presenting to the congregations the importance of maintaining this beautiful charity of our church, the needs of the Home in general and the amount of indebtedness on the building.

We further recommend that on this special occasion a collection be taken in each church when subscription papers shall be distributed for donations or subscriptions to the Church Home debt to be forwarded within six months by the pastors, to the Treasurer at Westminster.

W. R. GRAHAM, Chairman.

Report N

Of Committee on Official Relations

We have examined the personal reports of all the Pastors of the Conference and submit the following report and affixed recommendations.

We are pleased to report that there are no charges against any brethren of the Conference, but we regret that the following charges do not report any Lady Visitors to Our Church Home:

Bedford, Bethany, Broadway, Campbell, Cannon, Cecil, Cherrydale, Crumpton, Dorchester, Evergreen, Fawn Grove, Federalsburg, Franklin City, Georgetown, Del., Greenwood, Grove, Hampden, Harbeson, Harpers Ferry, Howard, Indian River, Laurel, Lawsonia, Lewistown, Lisbon, Milford, Mt. Nebo, Mt. Pleasant, Mt. Tabor, New Church, North Baltimore, Oak Grove, Patapsco, Pittsville, Pocomoke Circuit, Pocomoke City, Quantico, Reliance, Selbyville, St. Paul, Taylor Memorial, Union, Whaleyville, Williamsport

2. We find that the following charges are not incorporated: Bedford, Chincoteague, Howard, Indian River, Lawsonia, Leeds, Lewistown, Marley, Mt. Pleasant, Nichols Memorial, Pittsville, Powellville, St. Paul, Taylor Memorial, Waverly, Whaleyville, Wilton Heights. And we hereby urge these charges to become incorporated as early as possible.

3. 104 charges, 44 more than last year, failed to report any new subscribers to the Methodist Protestant.

4. The following charges have failed to supply disciplines as required by this Conference: Accomac, Bedford, Bethany, Broadway, Calvary, Campbell, Caroline, Cecil, Chincoteague, Deer Creek, Dover, Federalsburg, Finksburg, Greensboro, Grove, Harpers Ferry, Kempton, Laura-ville, Laurel, Leipsic, Lewistown, Milton, Mt. Tabor, Oak Grove, Pittsville, Pocomoke City, Prince George, Queen Anne, R. I. Avenue, Selbyville, Taylor Memorial, Union Bridge, Violetville, Westminster, Whaleyville. And we hereby insist upon these charges comply with our Church law.

Your Committee has interviewed personally the beneficiaries to the Board of Ministerial Education, and it is gratifying to report that it has received satisfactory pledges toward the liquidation of their respective obligations.

The following charges have paid their assessments in full and are entitled to be placed on the honor roll of the Conference: Accomac, Al-nutt, Amelia, Baltimore Circuit, Belair, Bethany, Broadway, Brooklyn, Buckeystown, Calvary, Cambridge, Cannon, Centreville, Cherrydale, Chesapeake, Chestertown, Chincoteague, Christ Church, Conquest, Crisfield, Cumberland, Cumberland Circuit, Deer Creek, Delmar, Delta, Denton, Dover, East Baltimore, Easton, Elizabeth, Eutaw, Evergreen, Fairfax, Federalsburg, Finksburg, First Church, Newark, N. J., First Church, Wash-

ington, D. C., Frederica, Frederick, Georgetown, D. C., Harbeson, Harrington, Howard, Hurlock, Keen Memorial, Kennedyville, Lauraville, Laurel, Leeds, Leipsic, Lewes, Liberty, Lisbon, Milford, Mt. Nebo, Mt. Pleasant, Nichols Memorial, North Baltimore, N. C. Avenue, Northumberland, Oxford, Parksley, Patapsco (not assessed paid \$7) Payson Street, Pipe Creek, Pittsville, Pocomoke City, Potomac, Queen Anne, Reliance, R.I. Avenue, Salem, Salisbury, Seaford, Sharptown, South Baltimore, Starr, Stewartstown, St. James, St. Johns, St. Lukes, St. Michaels, St. Pauls, Trinity, Violetville, Wallace Memorial, Waverly, West Baltimore, Westminster, West Wilmington, Whaleyville, Williamsport, Wilton Heights, Wye.

We regret to report the following charges have failed to report their assessments in full.

Alexandria, Bedford, Campbell, Caroline, Cecil, Clayton, Concord, Crumpton, Deer Park, Dorchester, Fawn Grove, Felton, Georgetown, Del., Georgetown Circuit, Greensboro, Greenwood, Grove, Hampden, Harper's Ferry, Indian River, Kempton, Kent Island, Laurel Circuit, Lawsonia, Lewistown, Lynchburg, Mardela, Mariners, Marley, Middleway, Milton, Mt. Tabor, New Church, Newmarket, Oak Grove, Pocomoke Circuit, Powellville, Prince George, Quantico, Rowlandville, Selbyville, Snow Hill, Susquehanna, Talbot, Taylor Memorial, Union, Union Bridge, Waltersville, Warwick, Wilmington.

Recommendations.

We recommend that the following requests be granted: Rev. B. W. Kindley loaned to the Maryland Sunday School Association. Rev. J. M. Gill, loaned to the Board of Home Missions. Revs. G. R. McCready and C. S. Arnett granted a Supernumerary relation. Rev. Clayborne Phillips be left without an appointment for one year at his own request.

Resolutions.

That our thanks are hereby tendered to the Pastor and Trustees of Christ Methodist Protestant Church, and to the citizens of Laurel, Delaware, for their splendid hospitality bestowed upon this Conference during its session.

Secondly: That we record our appreciations for the kindness of having placed at our disposal for committee work the Masonic Temple, and the parish house of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and the People's First National Bank. We thank the Remington and the Underwood typewriter companies for the use of their type-writers.

Thirdly: We wish to express our appreciation of the newspapers that have reported the proceedings of our session.

J. W. TROUT, Chairman.

LOUIS RANDALL, Secretary.

Report O

Missions

OF THE COMMITTEE

Your Committee feels it necessary to emphasize in this report the importance of missions, or to speak of "the great and effectual" door being opened to this great enterprise, by the rapidly changing conditions at home and in foreign lands. All this has been amply and ably discussed on the platform and in the pulpit before the Conference.

It is of happy augury that an interest in missions stirs the church more universal and intelligent than ever in the past. The Laymen and Students volunteer movements and the Men and Religion campaign; the constant recurrence of missions as the topic of our Young Peoples Societies; the prolific and inspiring literature of the time on the subject, kindle, more and more, the conviction that the church at home lives most of all by what it does abroad. The whole body is in health only as the heart has the dynamic to send the hot red blood to the utmost extremities.

Your Committee earnestly recommends that our ministers shall more specifically and frequently make world-wide evangelism the theme of their preaching and the burden of their prayers in the pulpit; that the superintendents and teachers in our Sunday schools, first themselves being informed and interested, shall use every occasion to bring missions to the front in the instruction of the children of the church; and that the Adult Classes and Women's Societies take up courses of study relating to the mission lands and work. A richer liberality can only come as the result of broader intelligence.

We recommend that the assessments of last year be continued, and the same distribution be made of the Children's Day and Easter offerings.

We append the report of the Woman's Societies. We know, from some instances, that the enthusiastic activities of these societies kindle missionary spirit throughout the church in which they work; they should be organized in every congregation.

We do not repeat statistics that will appear in the reports of the Secretaries and Stewards. We wish a greater progress could be reported. And yet we would remember how much more has been wrought than once seemed possible; we would reflect that it is better to go on with mistakes and failures than to stop; and "unhasting and unresting" press forward to better things.

D. L. GREENFIELD, Chairman.

OF THE MARYLAND BRANCH OF THE W. F. M. S.

To the Maryland Annual Conference:

The Maryland Branch Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Methodist Protestant Church, extends Christian greetings to Conference assembled.

We have just closed a successful year. Our membership is not over 500, yet we have raised the support of 6 scholarships; 3 Bible women; and have pledged the salary of Miss Dawson of Nagoya, Japan. This means \$600 per year (extra) for 6 years. Total raised \$1900.00. We earnestly request the co-operation of the brethren of the Conference in organizing Auxiliaries. Why not an Auxiliary on each charge? This will help the Church and in turn help us. May the coming year be productive of greater usefulness throughout the entire Conference, and to the Father we will give all the praise.

Respectfully,

MRS. HENRY HUPFIELD, President.

OF THE WASHINGTON BRANCH WOMAN'S HOME MISS. SOCIETY.

Again we come before you with our mountain work. We are sowing seed, trusting the Harvest giver to make each seed to grow. We are asking for offerings of prayer, money, and life of the churches. Ground has been given us for an Industrial School in the mountains of Kentucky, with the offer of more land for a farm if we put improvements on that we now have to the amount of (\$5000) five thousand dollars. The land is being cleared by the mountaineers. A small school has been started by our missionary, Mrs. M. O. Everett, assisted by Rev. L. M. Hollingsworth, a consecrated Christian man who has given his life to help the mountain people find Christ. There are two small houses on the land that has been given us. Mrs. Everett lives in one, and has five children living with her who are attending the school. The people are begging for the school building and Mrs. Everett is working hard that they may get it. The mountain call is the call of our Homeland. We ask that the ministers do all they can to forward this work, and to organize Auxiliaries in their churches. The amount raised this year by the Washington Branch was \$175.31.

MRS. J. M. CAMPBELL, Treasurer.

OF THE WASHINGTON AND ALEXANDRIA BRANCH OF THE
WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY

There are five Auxiliaries in our Branch. Two Bible Readers and three scholarships have been supported this year. Total receipts for year \$427.20.

MRS. THOMAS J. WILSON, Secretary.

Report Q

Of the Program Committee

Your Committee herewith submits the printed program for this session (printed by the Conference Church), with the recommendation that the rules of the Manual naming the morning hour of assembling and the hour of the Ordination sermon be suspended for this session, and the hours of the printed program obtain.

We would again emphasize the importance of having the several committees report at the time designated, that the business might be satisfactorily expedited.

J. M. SHERIDAN, Chairman.

W. S. PHILLIPS, Secretary.

Report R

General Conference Expense Fund

April 8, 1911, Balance reported	\$278 21
Interest one year at 3 ½ %	9 73
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Balance in hand	\$287 94

T. R. WOODFORD, Treasurer.

Report S

Of the Deaconess Board

To the Maryland Annual Conference:—

The Board of Deaconesses begs leave to offer the following report.

Miss Evelyn M. Jefferson has completed her course of study in the Lutheran Deaconess Training School, and was graduated with the cordial commendation of her teachers for her efficiency and consecration to the work. She has been actively engaged in the churches of Baltimore and Washington, the pastors of which can better inform the Conference of the value of her work, than any of the members of the Board, and we suggest that they be given an opportunity to be heard.

The Board has been fortunate in securing Miss Nettie Perrin of Cumberland, Md., who is now taking the prescribed course in the Lutheran Training School. She gives promise of becoming a useful woman in this

work and so far, in her course, has eminently justified the judgment and confidence of the Board in her selection.

We have reason to be grateful to the Ladies' Co-operative Board for its activity, and devotion to the work. Nine Deaconess Circles have been formed in Baltimore, and this year these circles have contributed about \$125.00. They have co-operated with the Deaconess, in her visits to the churches, and have done their best to stimulate interest in the movement. Unfortunately the churches have not fully realized the essential value of this work, and have not given it such support as the cause ought to inspire, and as its work certainly demands.

We are not forgetful of the interest taken by some of the preachers in the district who allowed collections to be taken in their churches, which they kindly forwarded to Rev. T. O. Crouse, D. D., a member of the Board. The Board hereby expresses its gratitude to all who responded to its call for aid. During the year a "whirlwind campaign" for funds was inaugurated to tide the Board over the financial exigency which it had to face. Miss Mary Belle Baker and Rev. E. C. Makosky were assigned to this work, and they did it with admirable promptness and success. Five hundred and twenty-five dollars was collected, which was sufficient to meet the obligations of the Board up to the present time, and there is still a small amount in the treasury. But it must be apparent to the Conference that such methods cannot often be successfully repeated. Nor can the Board's work be successfully prosecuted, and its recurring needs supplied without a regular and dependable income. It must have a steady support and it must know where it is coming from, and when it will be paid. The Board therefore respectfully suggests that the entire Conference be enlisted by an annual assessment of \$1,000. laid upon the charges of the district, and thus ensure its support.

The Board furthermore realizes that the supreme need of the work is a Home for the Deaconesses. We will never be able to accomplish our best work in this field, nor to make an effective appeal to the churches, nor to stimulate an active and healthy interest among our women, until we shall have secured proper accommodations for the home of the Deaconesses. What we need is a good, well located and properly constructed house, and we trust the Conference will find a way to help us to get it.

F. T. TAGG, President.

E. C. MAKOSKY, Secretary.

OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON REPORT OF THE DEACONESS BOARD

The report referred to your Committee has in it two definite recommendations to which we have given serious consideration:

1. The Board suggests that, "Each charge be requested to give an amount equal to one-third of the amount assessed for the President's salary and the offering be taken the second Sunday in October or as near

thereto as possible." Your Committee endorses and recommends this suggestion. But we also recommend that one or both of the Deaconesses be available by the pastors in raising this offering, and in presenting the general interest and work of the Board. Any monies raised on any charge by the visit and solicitation of the Deaconess above the amount requested from that charge shall be applied to the fund for a permanent home for our Deaconess' work.

2. The Board emphasizes the imperative and almost immediate need of a Home for our Deaconesses. We are in full sympathy with this expression of our need, and we cannot too strongly appeal to our people throughout the District to interest themselves to supply this need. We especially appeal to our good women, so abundant and efficient in Christian service, to organize co-operative circles and so assist in the speedy accomplishment of the end so much needed and desired,—a suitable and permanent home for our Deaconesses.

T. O. CROUSE, Chairman.

J. W. KIRK, Secretary.

Report T

Of Visitor to New Jersey Conference

To the President and Members of the Maryland Conference:

At the last session of our Annual Conference Rev. A. W. Mather and Dr. M. Bates Stephens were appointed to convey to the New Jersey Conference a copy of certain resolutions touching the matter of union between the New Jersey and the Maryland Conferences, and to bear at the same time your fraternal greetings and an expression of sincere esteem and affection.

The long and serious illness of Brother Mather prevented his going upon this pleasant embassy for which he had eminent fitness. Because of this inability the President (Dr. J. M. Sheridan) honored me with an appointment as his substitute. Accordingly it was my pleasure to attend the session of the New Jersey Conference in October last and to discharge the commission entrusted to me to the best of my ability. It is a pleasure to say that I was received with courtesy and heard with manifest interest; and the message of esteem and fraternal affection your messenger bore in your name was most cordially reciprocated. The New Jersey Conference appointed several brethren to convey to this Conference its fraternal greetings.

Respectfully submitted,

T. O. CROUSE, Chairman.

Report U

Of the Special Committee for the Organization of a Historical Society in the Conference

In compliance with Resolution 2 of the last session, your committee, having given due consideration to the subject, submits herewith "Constitution and By-Laws of the Historical Society of the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church" for your favorable consideration.

We recommend, 1st, that in conformity thereto such a society be organized at a meeting to be held immediately following the adjournment of the Electoral College on Friday afternoon of this session.

2nd, that the Maryland Conference Room, at the Baltimore Book Concern, 316 North Charles Street, be used by the Society until such time as other accommodations may be provided.

3rd, that the existing Historical Society be and is hereby respectfully requested to unite with the newly-organized society.

J. W. TROUT, Chairman.

W. S. PHILLIPS, Secretary.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY of the MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST PROTESTANT CHURCH.

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I.—NAME. This society shall be called the Historical Society of the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, and shall be a part of the corporate body of the said Maryland Annual Conference.

ARTICLE II.—OBJECT. The object of this society shall be to collect and preserve such historical data of churches, ministers and members, and all other material such as may be valuable in promoting and conserving a knowledge of the Methodist Protestant Church within the bounds of the Maryland Annual Conference.

ARTICLE III.—MEMBERSHIP. Any person within the bounds of the Maryland Annual Conference and a member of the Methodist Protestant Church shall be eligible to membership in this society, and may become a

member hereof by a majority vote of members present at the annual meeting.

ARTICLE IV.—OFFICERS. The officers of this society shall be a President, two Vice-presidents, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and a Librarian, all of whom shall be elected at each annual meeting. These officers shall constitute what shall be known as the Executive Council, which shall have power to hold meetings from time to time as shall be necessary for the transaction of such business as they are herein empowered to transact.

ARTICLE V.—DUTIES OF OFFICERS. 1. (a) The president shall preside at the annual meeting of the society and at meetings of the executive council. In the absence of the president one of the vice-presidents shall preside, and in their absence a president pro tempore may be selected.

(b) No person shall serve as president longer than one year consecutively.

2. The Secretary shall record the minutes of the annual meeting; he shall keep an accurate record of all business transacted by the executive council during the year, reporting the same to the society at its annual meeting; he shall conduct the correspondence of the society, file all correspondence of historical value and report the same to the executive council.

3. The Treasurer shall receive all money payable to the society and give receipt for same; he shall deposit funds in such bank, saving-fund or trust company as the executive council may direct; his books and papers shall at all times be subject to the inspection of the executive council, and he shall submit a report to the annual meeting of the society; he shall be legal custodian of all property of the society, and he shall give bond for the faithful performance of his duties as may be required by the executive council.

4. The Executive Council shall have supervision of the affairs of the society in the interim of annual meetings; it may call and arrange for mass-meetings at which addresses may be made, papers read and discussions held upon such subjects as are germane to the object of the society; shall constitute the Finance Committee, directing the treasurer where to deposit and invest the funds of the society, and audit the accounts of the treasurer; it shall appoint a Library Committee of three members, two of whom shall be members of the executive council, and of which the librarian shall be the chairman.

5. The Library Committee shall have authority to solicit and accept books, publications, manuscripts and relics tendered to the society as having historical value. It shall be the duty of the committee to catalogue books, etc., and properly classify all contents of the library, so as to make them interesting and historically instructive to members and visitors; and it shall through the executive council submit its file of books, papers, gifts

and historical data which have been accepted. It shall report to each meeting of the executive council.

6. The Librarian shall have charge of the library room and its contents as provided for in article VI of this Constitution.

ARTICLE VI.—LIBRARY. The formation of a library of books, publications and manuscripts germane to the object of the society is most desirable, and the library committee shall have authority to solicit and receive such gifts on behalf of the society. Also, provision shall be made for the care of portraits, autographs, seals and miscellaneous relics of historic value.

ARTICLE VII.—AMENDMENTS. This constitution may be amended at any annual meeting by a majority vote of those present; provided, a copy of the proposed amendment shall have been submitted to the executive council twenty-four hours previous to its submission for adoption.

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I.—ANNUAL MEETING. The Annual Meeting of the society shall be held on Friday afternoon, 2:00 o'clock, of each annual session of the Maryland Annual Conference, or at such other time as the Conference program committee shall designate; provided, ample notice of the change shall be published.

ARTICLE II.—DUES. The annual dues of membership shall be FIFTY CENTS, and shall be paid to the treasurer before or at the annual meeting. Any member by paying the sum of TEN DOLLARS shall be exempt from payment of annual dues and shall be styled a life member, and receive from the society a certificate of life membership.

ARTICLE III.—ENDOWMENT FUND. Life-membership fees and all bequests and devises, unless otherwise directed by the testator, shall be invested in an endowment fund, the income alone from which shall be used for the present needs of the society.

ARTICLE IV.—SEAL. At the first meeting of the society a committee of three shall be appointed to design and procure an appropriate seal to be used as the official stamp.

ARTICLE V.—EXPENDITURE. No payments out of the funds of the society shall be made except upon order of the executive council, and then only by check signed by the president and the treasurer.

ARTICLE VI.—AMENDMENTS. These By-Laws may be amended at any annual meeting of the society by a majority vote of those present; provided, a copy of the proposed amendment shall have been submitted to the executive council twenty-four hours previous to its submission for adoption.

Report V

Of Committee to Visit President Taft

Your committee appointed to visit the President of the United States for the purpose of presenting to him a resolution in regard to Peace Treaties with other countries, has performed its duties. I herewith present an autograph letter received from him in acknowledgement of the same.

Respectfully submitted,

F. T. BENSON, Chairman.

Report W

Of Special Committee on Request of Union of Young People's Work

Your Committee has two recommendations to submit:

1. Resolved that the Maryland Conference respectfully memorializes the General Conference to meet in Baltimore, May 17th, to give prompt and favorable attention to the organization of a Methodist Protestant Brotherhood.

2. We recommend the appointment of a committee of five to arrange for the organization of a Conference Brotherhood in harmony with the anticipated action of the coming General Conference immediately after the adjournment of that body. Should the General Conference take no action in the direction of an organized Brotherhood, the aforesaid committee shall proceed at the earliest opportunity to organize a Maryland Conference Brotherhood.

W. S. PHILLIPS, Chairman.

Report X

Of Special Committee on Sectarian Garb in Indian Schools

A communication concerning the use of Sectarian Garb and Insignia in Government Indian Schools referred to us, has been duly considered. The communication comes from the Home Missions Council, an organization representing 24 Protestant Home Missionary Boards of this country. On January 27, 1912, Robert G. Valentine, Commissioner of Indian Affairs in the Department of the Interior, issued an order that "in Government Schools all insignia of any particular denomination must be removed from all public rooms, and members of any denomination wearing distinctive garb must leave such garb off while engaged at lay duties as Government

employees. If any case exists where such employee cannot conscientiously do this, he will be given a reasonable time, not to extend, however, beyond the opening of the next school year after the date of this order, to make arrangements for employment elsewhere than in Federal Indian Schools". This order President Taft has suspended "until such time as will permit a full hearing to all parties in interest and a conclusion to be reached after full deliberation".

As the decision of Commissioner Valentine was by no means hasty or immature, and as the order was not to become operative until the opening of the next school year, we regard the action of the President of the United States in the matter as unwarranted and unfortunate. The separation of Church and State is a fundamental principle of our national life, and should be zealously safeguarded. Existing regulations in our Government Indian Schools forbid Sectarian teaching. The use of religious insignia and garb creates a sectarian atmosphere, to say the least, and opens the door for other encroachments, not only in Government Indian Schools, but in all schools supported by public funds. We, therefore, express our most emphatic protest. Our National ideals and traditions demand for us an immediate hearing, and we most earnestly call upon the Hon. Wm. H. Taft, President of the United States, to affirm the order of Commissioner Valentine, thus upholding that principle of religious liberty so deeply embedded in the fundamental law of the land, and in the unprejudiced convictions of patriotic American citizens.

We, therefore, recommend that a letter be sent to the President of the United States, signed by the President and Secretary of this Conference, embodying our action in this particular.

L. F. WARNER, Chairman.

J. H. STRAUGHN, Secretary.

Report Y

Of Special Committee on Memorials

The Committee appointed to consider the Memorials from North Baltimore Church and from J. M. Holmes and J. W. Kirk respectfully report that we have found in all these memorials questions of such large importance and covering so wide a field, that we cannot go into their merits so as to formulate an intelligent recommendation for the action of the Conference. We therefore recommend that these memorials be referred to the delegation of this Conference to the General Conference with instructions to take the proper steps to bring them to the attention of the General Conference.

T. H. LEWIS, Chairman.

F. T. LITTLE, Secretary.

Report Z

Of Special Committee on Ocean Disaster

The members of this Conference have read with a sense of horror and inexpressible grief the fearful story of the loss of the great steamer Titanic, with its cargo of human lives, and stand appalled before the picture of midnight terror and death presented in the shocking narrative given us in the papers of to-day.

We have no words that can adequately express the profound sympathy we have for the victims of this great disaster at sea; we realize how absolutely helpless we are in the presence of a calamity such as this; but our hearts cry out in at least an attempt to voice the emotions that stir and surge within us, and in unison with every soul capable of sympathy we reach out to touch our fellowmen in this hour of sorrow that makes the whole world akin.

May the God of all Comfort and the Father of Mercies give the sustenance of His abounding Grace to all bereaved by this calamity, and overrule all for His praise and glory.

T. O. CROUSE, Chairman.

F. C. KLEIN, Secretary.

Report AA

Of Special Committee on Protest to Baltimore Sun.

The Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church now in session in Laurel, Delaware, hereby records its unqualified condemnation of the report of the proceedings of this body published in the Baltimore Sun of today, April 11, 1912, and denounces that part of the said publication referring to the election of the President of this Conference, and Dr. T. H. Lewis' connection therewith as unqualifiedly false, and expresses its amazement that such a reputable paper as the Baltimore Sun could have been led into publishing such a disgraceful account of our proceedings.

And we do hereby recommend that this report be telegraphed to the Baltimore Sun this evening with the request that it be given as prominent a place in its issue of April 12, 1912, as was given the offensive publication.

F. T. LITTLE, Chairman.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 1

Changes in the Lists of Charges

RESOLVED, That the President, Secretary, Board of Stewards and Committee on Statistics be and are hereby authorized and directed, in making up the official lists of the Charges and the plan of appointments, to vary the alphabetical order as now followed, by grouping Charges when there is more than one in a city or town, such as Baltimore, Crisfield, Washington, D. C., Wilmington, Del., Philadelphia, Pa.; also

RESOLVED, That in the Secretary's list and the plan of appointments the abbreviated name of the state be placed after each charge that is without the State of Maryland.

W. S. PHILLIPS,
F. T. LITTLE.

Resolution 2

Decorating Graves in Cemeteries

The beautiful memorial service which was so appropriately observed at Federalsburg during the session of the Conference there, is worthy of perpetuation.

Therefore, inasmuch as the bodies of brothers Levin Collins, Josiah Pennewell, James H. Ellegood, and John Bailey Jones with that of sister Anna Follin Jones are interred in the Laurel Cemetery, be it resolved, that this Conference appoint a committee of which Rev. D. L. Greenfield, D. D., shall be the chairman and that Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock be fixed as the time for placing a wreath of loving remembrance on each grave of our beloved dead. And be it further resolved that the Conference choir be requested to furnish music for the occasion.

J. W. TROUT,
D. W. ANSTINE.

Resolution 3**Disposition of General Conference Fund and Assessments**

The Local Committee on the Entertainment of the General Conference appointed the Chairman of the Committee and J. W. Kirk a committee to present the following request to this Annual Conference:

That in view of the necessary expense attaching to the entertainment of the General Conference outside of the provision of homes for the representatives, this Committee requests the Annual Conference to authorize the Finance Committee to lay the same assessment as that of four years ago for General Conference expenses and after deducting the expenses of our representatives to place at the disposition of the Committee the residue together with the residue already on hand from the General Conference assessment of four years ago.

J. H. STRAUGHN,
J. W. TROUT,

Resolution 4**Enlarging Conference Boundary**

WHEREAS: The Maryland Annual Conference, for the past fifty years or more, having sustained at much expense the successful extension of our beloved denomination in several of the border counties in the southern part of the state of Pennsylvania, including the city of Philadelphia, and

WHEREAS: These border counties being convenient territory for the Maryland Annual Conference; Therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Maryland Annual Conference respectfully petition the General Conference at its coming session in May next in the city of Baltimore, to define its boundary so as to include the southern border counties of Pennsylvania from, and including Bedford on the west, to and including Philadelphia on the east.

J. W. TROUT,
J. B. JONES, M. D.

Resolution 5**Printing Address of Welcome**

RESOLVED: That we request Rev. Alfred E. Race, rector of St. Philip's Episcopal Church, furnish the Secretary with a copy of his address of welcome delivered before the Conference, and the same to be published in the Conference Minutes.

H. L. SCHLINCKE,
J. W. TROUT.

Resolution 6**Expressing Confidence in W. H. Anderson**

RESOLVED: That we hereby record our confidence in the integrity and ability of Mr. Wm. H. Anderson, the Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of Maryland, and commend the aggressive policy and work of the League he represents.

RESOLVED: That we pledge to the League our unqualified support and call upon our constituency in Maryland to defeat for re-election to the Legislature of Maryland all men who helped to defeat the Local Option Bill at the last session of the Legislature.

W. C. PERKINS,
F. T. TAGG.

Resolution 7**On Family Altar League**

Recognizing that one of the vital and fundamental needs of our time is a revival of religious training and worship in the home, and in cordial sympathy with any sane movement that helps to secure these desirable ends; Therefore

We heartily approve the purpose of the Family Altar League, and we recommend that our pastors acquaint themselves with the plan and methods of the League and so far as practicable appoint a Family Altar Day in all of our Churches.

T. O. CROUSE,
T. R. WOODFORD.

Resolution 8**Publication of Sermon in Minutes**

RESOLVED: That Rev. L. F. Warner is hereby requested to furnish the Secretary with a copy of the sermon delivered before the Conference, which shall be published in the minutes.

W. C. PERKINS,
E. C. MAKOSKY.

Resolution 9**Change in Manual**

RESOLVED, That we amend Rule 5, Section 2, of Manual, by adding to the list of standing committees a committee on Our Church Home.

F. T. LITTLE,
H. S. JOHNSON.

Resolution 10**Publishing Manual**

RESOLVED, That our Publishing Agent at Baltimore, with the consent of the Book Directory, be and is hereby authorized to issue a new edition of our Conference Manual.

RESOLVED, That F. T. Little be and is hereby appointed to prepare the manuscript, and read the proof of said publication.

W. S. PHILLIPS,
G. J. HOOKER.

Resolution 11**Limiting Church Extension Appropriation**

RESOLVED, That the Church Extension Committee be directed to limit their appropriations to a sum not exceeding Five Thousand Dollars, this resolution to become effective at the Conference session of 1913.

W. C. PERKINS,
T. H. LEWIS.

Resolution 12**Amending Manual**

RESOLVED, To amend Rule 5, Sec. 2, paragraph 17 of the Manual, to strike out the name of the committee and substitute "Union of Young People's Work".

J. H. STRAUGHN,
F. T. LITTLE.

CONFERENCE SOCIETIES

Superannuated Fund Society

The Superannuated Fund Society met at 10.00 A. M. with First Vice-President J. L. Mills in the chair.

The Treasurer's report was read and adopted.

On motion of F. T. Little a rising vote of thanks was extended to the Treasurer, Mr. T. A. Murray.

A rising vote of thanks was also extended to the Corresponding Secretary, A. W. Mather.

The old boards of officers and managers were re-elected.

Officers: First Vice-President, J. L. Mills; Second Vice-President, F. T. Benson; Third Vice-President, J. E. Nicholson; Corresponding Secretary, A. W. Mather; Recording Secretary, E. L. Bunce; Treasurer, T. A. Murray.

Board of Managers:—Ministerial members: Revs. J. W. Kirk, G. W. Haddaway, J. M. Sheridan, E. C. Makosky. Lay members: Messrs. T. A. Murray, Vaughn Webster, Dr. E. B. Fenby and J. B. Mills.

No further business, the Society adjourned.

E. L. BUNCE, Steward.

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR YEAR APRIL 1911-1912.

Thomas A. Murray, Treasurer, in Account with Superannuated Fund Society

Permanent Fund

To Balance as per last Report		\$1583 57
To amt. through Dr. Lewis for special subscriptions \$ 54 00		
To amt. from Rev. J. M. Holmes, special subs.	16 00	
To amt. from Rev. C. P. Nowlin, Annual Dues	120 00	
To amt. from C. P. Nowlin, 10% Receipts District	417 30	
To amt. from C. P. Nowlin, Income returned	655 59	
To amt. from Executors of Mrs. Angeline Drinkhouse on account of Legacy of \$5000	4644 30	5907 19
To amt. from J. N. Gilbert, Steward Conf. Parsonage account re-payment of Loan	500 00	
To amt. in redemption of Ground-Rents	1900 00	
To amt. in redemption of Consol. Gas Co. Note	1000 00	3400 00
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		\$10890 76

By amt. invested in Ground-rents per Order of Board		
\$75. per annum on No. 1802 Druid Hill Ave.	\$1502	30
5 Rents of \$56. each per annum on Nos. 2504, 2506,		
2513, 2515 and 2579 W. Fayette Street	4665	50
By amt. invested per Order of Board in purchase of		
15 Shares Stock U. S. Fidelity & Guar. Co...	2714	27
		8882 07
By Balance on deposit to credit of Permanent Fund.		\$2008 69

Income Account

To total amt. of Income from Investments	\$5754	05	
To Interest on Deposits in Bank	86	02	\$5840 07
To 1912 Taxes on Securities paid	69	87	
To rent of Safe Deposit Box paid	5	00	
To expenses of Treasurer	77	25	
To accrued Ground Rent due at date of purchase of			
Ground-Rents above paid to Vendors and			
chargeable to Income	65	13	
			217 25
To amts. remitted to Rev. C. P. Nowlin:			
July 17, 1911, Check #179	\$1225	91	
Nov. 4, 1911, Check #182	1374	67	
Jan. 25, 1912, Check #184	1570	00	
Check herewith for balance of	1452	24	5622 82 \$5840 07

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS A. MURRAY, Treasurer.

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the Treasurer and find them correct as per above report, and all income from the securities and property of the Society fully accounted for; and that we have also examined the securities of the Society and find them all properly deposited in the safe deposit box of the Society.

G. W. HADDAWAY,

J. W. KIRK.

Auditing Committee.

SUPERANNUATED FUND REGULATIONS

1. The Committee on Superannuated Claimants shall report to Conference all those names which, in its judgment, properly belong to the superannuate list.

2. The two interests, the collections for Superannuates and the interest on the Superannuated Fund, are blended, and the Committee is instructed to act accordingly.

3. The Committee in making appropriations shall be governed by the ascertained probable resources of the Conference; they shall discriminate according to the comparative claims of the several recipients, taking into consideration: 1. The time of service in the Conference. 2. The value of said service to the Conference. 3. The size of family. 4. The peculiarities of location, etc. 5. Ability to contribute to self-support by business capacity or private income.

4. The Conference Treasurer shall disburse all moneys coming from the Superannuated Fund Society, and shall make a quarterly distribution of the funds, provided the Treasurer of said Society can make a payment in the interim of Conference.

5. When the Committee shall have completed its report it shall be read to the Conference twenty-four hours before final action thereon, during which time objections to the report must be filed before the committee.

6. The Corresponding Secretary of the Superannuated Fund Society shall furnish Superannuate Claimants with blanks containing the following questions, a neglect to answer which shall deprive the claimant of any portion in the distribution of said fund for the year:

1. What is your present place of residence? Post office address?
2. Do you desire a superannuate relation the ensuing year?
3. What is the number of your family? Ages of your children, respectively?
4. Do you attend our church? If not, why not?
5. Do your children attend our Sabbath-School? If not, why not?
6. What is the amount of your private income?

Church Extension Society

The Church Extension Society convened on Monday at 9 P.M. with Rev. J. L. Mills, D.D. in the chair. In the absence of the secretary G. J. Hooker was elected secretary pro tempore.

The Treasurer's report was read and adopted, and referred to an auditing committee composed of the Board of Managers, as decided upon at the session of 1911.

The following officers were elected: President, J. L. Mills; 1st Vice President, J. E. Maloy; 2d Vice President, S. F. Cassen; Secretary, G. J. Hooker; Treasurer, T. Harry Bartlett.

Board of Managers: Ministers, T. O. Crouse, J. S. Bowers, F. T. Tagg, F. C. Klein; Laymen, N. T. Meginniss, T. Harry Bartlett, W. W. Smith, and J. N. Gilbert.

Adjourned.

G. J. HOOKER, Secretary.

CHURCH EXTENSION REGULATIONS

1. Contributions for church extension shall be sent to the Treasurer of the Church Extension Society, that he may disburse the funds to the missionaries according to their various claims.

2. Pastors are instructed to have the Church Extension collections in the hands of the Treasurer by the end of the second quarter of the Conference year.

3. The Committee on Church Extension shall ascertain what amount of funds may be regarded as available for church extension purposes the ensuing year.

5. The Church Extension Society of this Conference shall elect seven Trustees for each mission, who shall hold all the property on our mission fields in trust of said Society, and yearly thereafter select a new Board of Trustees as long as the mission relation is continued. But whenever the mission shall become a circuit or station, the "qualified members" at a meeting regularly called for the purpose, shall have the power to elect their own Trustees, to whom the Trustees appointed by the Church Extension Society shall surrender the church property, together with the books, papers or other valuables held by them as Trustees.

6. When any number of the members of any of our missions shall, through disaffection or from other causes, form themselves into classes, withholding themselves from the means of grace or suffer themselves to be led by those who refuse to attend the official meetings of the church, or shall in any way walk disorderly, on a charge being brought against such person or persons, the missionary shall see that the accused are tried according to the Discipline for trial of members. But should the class, of which the accused is a member, refuse or neglect to select two of their number to serve on the committee of trial, then the missionary shall fill the committee by having them selected from any other class in the mission, or from an adjoining station or circuit, as he may think proper, and should the accused be found guilty he, she or they shall be suspended or expelled, as the committee may direct. And should the entire mission become refractory the missionary shall be authorized to select them according to the provision of the Discipline for trial of churches; provided, however, that the person convicted shall in this, and in all cases where the trial is by jury, have an appeal to the Quarterly Conference of the church from which the committee of trial is selected, at the next session ensuing, whose decision shall be final.

7. Missions shall hold Quarterly Conferences.

8. When a charge is preferred against any member of the church the missionary shall see that the accused is tried in accordance with the regulations of the Discipline for the trial of members.

9. Any mission having a missionary shall be entitled to one delegate

to the Annual Conference, provided the missionary have a seat, who shall be elected by the qualified members of the mission, at least two weeks preceding the session of the Annual Conference.

10. No member of the Methodist Protestant Church shall hold membership in a mission and station at the same time.

11. Until a class is formed in a mission the missionary shall have authority to receive probationers into full membership.

12. The missionary in charge is invested with authority to receive or reject applicants for membership, as he in his judgment may deem most conducive to the welfare of the mission.

13. When a mission becomes a circuit or station, the property must be so transferred to the trustees elected by the qualified members as to secure it to the Methodist Protestant Church.

14. The Board of Managers of the Church Extension Society is empowered to appoint or dismiss trustees in missions during the recess of Conference.

15. All qualified members shall be entitled to vote for stewards in missions.

16. The Society shall pay the traveling expenses of such members of the Board of Managers as do not reside in the city.

17. The Board of Managers has full power to act on all matters pertaining to the Church Extension Society in the interim of Conference.

18. Hereafter, no money shall be appropriated to any charge where the Board of Trustees refuses to be incorporated.

19. The Church Extension Committee of the Conference is hereby made a permanent or continuous committee, its members serving until their successors are appointed. The President of the Conference is hereby requested in naming the members of this committee from time to time, to retain a sufficient number of those familiar with its work to secure best results in the appropriation of the funds of the society.

In addition to the duties heretofore performed by the committee, it shall be the duty of the chairman and secretary thereof, as soon as practicable after the adjournment of each annual session of the Conference, to prepare and have printed lists of questions with blank spaces for answers, similar to those heretofore used by the Board of Managers, and shall mail a copy to the pastor of each charge seeking aid not later than the first week in October and March of each Conference year. The blanks may also contain such explanations as may be deemed necessary to enable charges to properly fill in the answers to the questions, with the request that the said blanks be promptly filled out and returned.

The chairman and secretary shall arrange these blanks in proper order, bring them to Conference and lay them before the committee. The committee, in making appropriations to the respective charges seeking aid, shall be guided by the information contained in the blanks; and the charg-

es are hereby notified in accordance with the above prescribed duties of the committee.

The secretary of the Conference hereby is instructed to pay, out of the Conference funds, the expense of printing, postage, etc., incurred by the committee in the discharge of the duties here referred to.

When appropriations are made conditionally and the conditions are not complied with, it shall be the duty of the committee to so notify the Church Extension Steward, who shall withhold payment of the money until such payment is authorized by the committee.

The action of the Conference of 1907 is hereby reaffirmed as follows, "The Committee on Church Extension shall not report upon any cases not referred to it by the Conference, except such cases recommended by the President to accommodate the plan of appointments."

TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts

1911

Apr. 22, J. H. Baker, Special Donation	\$100 00
June 2, Rev. J. M. Sheridan, Ridgely St., from sale of Ridgely Ch.	76 82
Dec. 4, Rev. John A. Wright	35 00
Dec. 14, Rev. E. D. Stone	113 00
Dec. 22, Rev. J. E. Massey	62 00

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Jan. 8, Rev. C. M. Compher	52 00
Jan. 23, Rev. A. S. Beane	35 00
Feb. 5, Rev. F. D. Reynolds	22 00
Feb. 26, Rev. E. A. Sexsmith	40 00
Mch. 6, Rev. A. Norman Ward	47 00
Mch. 11, Rev. J. Wilson Brown	22 00
Mch. 26, Rev. P. W. Crosby	22 00
Mch. 26, Rev. G. A. Ogg	44 00
Mch. 27, Rev. J. McLain Brown	20 00
Mch. 28, Rev. J. Franklin Bryan	40 00
Mch. 28, Rev. J. M. Holmes	20 00
Apr. 2, Rev. W. A. Melvin	52 00

Total from charges	\$802 82
Jan. 9, S. J. Martnett & Co., Discount on bill	3 00

Total	\$805 82
Jan. 1, 1912, Interest on deposit	3 17

Disbursements

1911

June 1, To Rev. F. D. Reynolds, on appropriation to Dover	\$ 50 00
Oct. 3, To Rev. C. W. Sanderson, on appropriation to Quantico..	50 00
Oct. 26, To Rev. F. L. Stevens, on appropriation to Felton	50 00
Dec. 13, To Rev. F. D. Reynolds, on appropriation to Dover	50 00

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Jan. 9, To S. J. Martenett & Co., surveying Bethany Church lot...	10 00
Feb. 1, To Rev. J. M. Sheridan on appropriation to Bethany Church	153 11
Apr. 1, To Rev. J. M. Sheridan on appropriation to Bethany Church	48 50
To St. Paul's Church as per order of Board of Managers	78 11
Apr. 5, To Rev. J. M. Sheridan (advanced) as per following orders:	
Rev. C. R. Strausburg	\$100 00
Rev. C. M. Compher	100 00
Rev. E. L. Bunce	35 00
	235 00
Apr. 8, To Rev. R. L. Shipley, Conference Steward, by check	81 10

Total \$805 82

Bank Account, State Bank of Maryland, Savings Department

1911

Mch. 31, Balance	\$50 57
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1912

Jan. 1, Interest on Deposit	3 17
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Mch. 31, Balance	\$53 74
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T. HARRY BARTLETT, Treasurer.

The Mutual Relief Association

The Mutual Relief Association convened Tuesday afternoon with Rev. Dr. F. T. Little in the chair, and G. I. Humphries, Secretary pro tem. The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted. The following officers were elected:—J. E. Nicholson, 1st Vice-President; G. Q. Bacchus, 2nd Vice-President; W. A. Melvin, 3rd Vice-President; J. A. Weigand, Secretary-Treasurer.

The report of the Secretary-Treasurer was then read and adopted.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-TREASURER

Year Ending April 10th, 1912

Amount on hand from 33rd Advance Case	\$150 00
Expense of collecting 33rd Advance Case	4 50
Paid Mr. T. A. Murray, Executor of Rev. J. D. Kinzer	145 00
Amount on hand 34th Advance Case	152 00
Expense of collecting 34th Advance Case	4 50
Paid Rev. J. M. Holmes	148 00
Paid Mrs. S. A. Hoblitzell	149 00

Two members deceased and thirteen lapsed.

Lapsed Members: Rev. G. M. Clayton, Mrs. G. M. Clayton, Rev. R. T. Tyson, Rev. C. E. McCullough, Rev. E. L. Beauchamp.

New Members: Mrs. J. M. Sheridan, Mrs. P. L. Rice, Mrs. T. H. Wright, Mrs. S. A. Hoblitzell, Mrs. C. W. Sanderson, R. W. Coe, C. M. Adams, W. F. Bauscher, J. A. Dudley, E. A. Simms, W. F. Wright, L. H. Joslin, Mrs. R. S. Williamson.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. WEIGAND, Sec.-Treas.

The report was then by motion referred to an auditing committee consisting of A. W. Mather and D. W. Anstine.

By motion the association adjourned till 8.30 p. m.

At 8.30 the report of the auditing committee was read and adopted, as follows:—"Your committee appointed to audit the treasurer's report find the report correct as far as made, but there is an omission of a collection and payment which the treasurer promises to supply in time to be published in the minutes of the Conference, and we recommend the adoption of the report.

A. W. MATHER,
D. W. ANSTINE.

The Association then adjourned.

G. I. HUMPHREYS, Sec. pro tem.

Electoral College

Laurel, Del., April 12, 1912.

The Electoral College was at 2.00 o'clock organized by the election of F. T. Little, Chairman, and J. H. Straughn, Secretary. The ballot printed by the Secretary of the Conference was accepted as the official ballot of the College. The Secretary gave the information that the membership of the Conference District is 28,131, and which number entitles us to 14 ministerial and 14 lay representatives in the General Conference. Six judges were ordered and were appointed as follows: L. F. Warner, G. M. Clayton, W. H. Litsinger, F. M. Wilson, T. D. Bowers, N. J. Wimbrow. The motion to call the roll for ballots did not carry. The vote was then taken and the judges retired to count the ballot. At 2:40 the College adjourned.

Electoral College convened at 10:00 Saturday morning. The judges reported a total ministerial vote of 113, choice 57, total lay vote 79, choice 40. During the reading of the report of the election by the judges, it was ordered that names receiving less than 7 votes be not read. The following election took place:

Ministers	Ministerial	Lay
T. H. Lewis	91	61
W. R. Graham	82	66
H. L. Elderdice	91	56
J. S. Bowers	87	56
F. T. Little	86	52
F. T. Tagg	85	52
J. M. Sheridan	78	53
J. W. Kirk	61	46
W. S. Phillips	57	46
Laymen	Ministerial	Lay
Daniel Baker	82	51
H. K. Muller	81	50
T. P. Fisher	69	45
G. W. Dexter	64	50
J. B. Jones	62	46
E. B. Fenby	59	41

It being necessary to excuse two lay judges, the Chairman appointed H. K. Muller and Jesse W. Holloran. A new ballot was ordered, the roll was called and ballots deposited. The judges retired at 10:35 and the College adjourned.

At 12:35 the Judges reported on the second ballot. Ministerial votes 92, choice 47; lay votes 60, choice 31. G. W. Haddaway, minister elected, 48, 32 and J. Bibb Mills, 61, 34. Adjourned to meet at 2:30.

The Electoral College convened Saturday at 2:30, took the third ballot for General Conference representatives, and adjourned at 2:50.

The vote was reported at 3:30. Total ministerial votes 70, choice 36;

lay votes 38, choice 20. Elected Ministers: F. C. Klein, 49, 30 and F. T. Benson, 37, 21; laymen, A. R. Lewis, 39, 25 and F. M. Wilson 38, 21; J. Frank Harper, 39, 21. The fourth ballot was taken with the roll call and at 3:50 gave way to Conference, and the judges to report Monday.

The Electoral College went into session at 11:30 Monday morning. Before the judges read their report the point was raised by T. H. Lewis as to a quorum for the last vote. The Chairman ruled that as there appeared in the total vote only a minority of the members, there was, therefore, no election. F. C. Klein made a motion that the number now present constitute a quorum and on a count, 145 were in attendance. The vote was taken for 2 ministers and four laymen, and at 11:55 adjourned.

The College met at 2:30. Votes cast, ministerial 92, choice 47; lay 53, choice 27. There was no election. F. C. Klein arose to a question of privileges, stating that a doubt had been raised about a quorum on the ballot that elected him. The Conference by a unanimous vote confirmed the election. After the ballot the College gave way to the Conference at 2:45.

The Electoral College went into session at 3:40. The judges reported, votes cast: 82 ministerial, choice 42; lay 47, choice 24. J. W. Hering 54, 28; A. B. Stine 45, 28; T. D. Bowers 43, 25; laymen were elected, and T. R. Woodford 42, 25, minister elected. The College voted for the sixth time and adjourned at 3:50.

The College was in session again at 4:40. The judges reported, ministerial vote 74, choice 38, lay 39, choice 20. J. W. Trout, minister elected, 52, 27. The vote for one layman was taken and the judges proceeded to count, resulting: Ministerial vote 74, choice 38; lay vote 39, choice 20; F. P. Adkins received 45, 27. The first ballot being taken as a basis for alternates. T. H. Lewis moved the appointment of a committee, who shall take 5 ministers and 5 laymen from the highest number voted for, having received at least 20 votes, and who shall be declared alternates in order. The motion prevailed and the chairman appointed the judges the committee.

W. S. Phillips presented a resolution that should any representative elect to the General Conference be unable to attend, he shall at once notify the Chairman of the Electoral College, F. T. Little, who shall notify the alternates in order.

The College was in session Monday evening from 8:10 to 8:20. The Committee reported the following alternates, following their instructions: Ministers, T. O. Crouse, Avery Donovan, D. L. Greenfield, J. M. Holmes, A. N. Ward. Laymen, T. A. Murray, T. W. Donoho, F. D. Holloway, Milton Melvin, J. H. Baker.

The report was accepted, the minutes were read and approved, and the Electoral College adjourned at 8:20.

Approved:

J. H. STRAUGHN, Secretary.

F. T. LITTLE, Chairman.

The following memorials and resolutions were referred to the delegation from this Conference to the General Conference.

A Memorial from the Member's Meeting of North Baltimore (Mt. Royal Ave.) M. P. Church, held Wednesday evening, March 20, 1912, to the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, with the request that they act upon it and forward it to the General Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, to be held in May, 1912, for their action:

We believe that efficiency will be promoted and economy secured by consolidating the following agencies of the Methodist Protestant Church:

The Board of Foreign Missions,

The Board of Home Missions,

The Woman's Board of Foreign Missions,

The Woman's Board of Home Missions, and

The Board of Ministerial Education,

and when this consolidation is made that there should be abolished all of the general officers representing these present Boards, and in their stead should be elected by the General Conference one General Secretary, whose business shall be to travel the field, and one Assistant General Secretary, whose business it shall be to open an office in the City of Baltimore for the first quadrennium and for the second quadrennium in the City of Pittsburgh, and alternating each four years in this way, to represent these agencies by correspondence, and that in lieu of all of the Boards now representing these different Boards, that one General Board be elected, consisting of six men and six women, one of whom shall be elected annually as President of said Board.

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We believe it desirable that our missionary interests in Japan be merged in the Methodist Church of Japan, which Church is composed of the Methodist Episcopal Church, the Methodist Episcopal Church South, and the Canadian Methodist Church, and we request that proper steps will be taken by our General Conference to bring this about. This will only be the acceptance of the invitation that was given us by these different churches to merge our interests with theirs some years ago, and we believe that it will be for the extension of the Master's Kingdom.

RESOLVED: That our representatives to the General Conference be and are hereby requested to memorialize the Conference to change the name of the Home Missionary Society, to the Church Extension Society of the Methodist Protestant Church.

And then organize a Home Mission to give its entire attention to the outlying neglected sections where churches are few, and ministers scarce, in the western part of North Carolina, the eastern part of Tennessee, and many other such places where there are no regular church services held, and the people have very little opportunity to hear the Gospel.

J. M. HOLMES,

J. W. KIRK.

WHEREAS, The Methodist Recorder and The Methodist Protestant have been annually reporting deficits in receipts and losses in subscriptions, thereby demonstrating that our denomination is unable or unwilling to adequately support two official papers, and,

WHEREAS, The existence of two Publishing Directories, one in Pittsburgh and another in Baltimore results in a management complicated, expensive and unnecessary, therefore,

RESOLVED, That our delegation to the General Conference be instructed to carefully consider the legality, the equity and the wisdom of consolidating our publishing interests, so that there shall be but one official paper and but one Directory; and that, if in their judgment such a union shall promote the welfare of the Methodist Protestant Church, to use their voice and their vote to secure its consummation.

H. L. ELDERDICE,

D. L. GREENFIELD.

IN MEMORIAM

DEAD ROLL

"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith; henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give to me at that day."—2 Tim., iv. 7, 8.

NAME	BORN	Entered Conference	DIED
Charles Rigby	1782	1829	1830
Joseph Scull	1785	1829	1830
Washington Hamilton Hays .....	....	1830	1831
William Bamber .....	....	1831	1832
Charles Wesley Jacobs	1812	1829	1833
John James Hanson .....	....	1829	1834
William Kesley .....	....	1830	1841
Isaac Webster Clippinger .....	....	1842	1842
Samuel L. Rawleigh .....	....	1834	1843
Daniel Davies, M. D. ....	....	1833	1844
William W. Maddux .....	....	1838	1844
William W. Ball .....	....	1842	1844
William H. Boardley .....	....	1843	1846
Samuel D. Norwood	1820	1844	1847
Isaac Webster	1787	1829	1851
Levi Rogers Reese	1806	1832	1851
Frederick Stier	1783	1830	1851
Richard Adkinson	1817	1841	1851
Levin A. Collins	1814	1837	1853
John Smith Reese, M. D.	1790	1829	1855
Francis George Wright	1823	1849	1859
Nevelle Steele Greenaway	1824	1852	1861
William Turbert Wright	1808	1845	1862
Washington Roby	1816	1839	1862
Thoroughgood C. Ewell	1832	1856	1862
Josiah Varden	1806	1831	1863
George D. Hamilton	1798	1831	1864
Reuben Tyler Boyd	1794	1833	1865
Thomas Hart Benton Austin	1842	1863	1865
James Francis Whiteside	1828	1850	1866
Eli Henkle	1787	1829	1867
Francis Waters, D. D.	1792	1838	1867
Thomas H. Burgess	1828	1861	1868
Thomas Mahlon Wilson	1814	1842	1870
Luther J. Cox	1791	1869	1870
Christian Eversole	1820	1852	1870
Daniel Bowers	1832	1854	1871
John Morgan	1811	1844	1871
Henry C. Hayghe	1844	1869	1871
John Elderdice	1814	1838	1874
John Roberts	1818	1843	1875
Amon Richards	1787	1870	1876
Abraham S. Eversole, M. D.	1813	1839	1877
Daniel Evans Reese, D. D.	1810	1830	1877
Samuel Guest Valiant	1852	1870	1877
William C. Ames, D. D. S.	1839	1869	1878
John Edgar Read	1846	1865	1878
Thomas M. Bryan	1818	1846	1879
William Corrie Lipscomb	1792	1869	1879

NAME	BORN	Entered Conference	DIED
Thomas Asbury Moore	1824	1845	1881
David Norwood Gilbert	1851	1873	1881
Isaac Tunnel Adkins	1808	1865	1881
Thomas Lee	1821	1857	1882
Peter Light Willson	1822	1842	1883
Thomas McCormick	1792	1869	1883
Charles Theodore Cochell	1832	1859	1884
James Martin Elderdice	1817	1840	1884
Arthur Daniel Murray	1856	1879	1884
Henry Edward Miskimon	1845	1866	1885
Joseph Alexander McFaden	1825	1847	1885
Alfred Baker	1813	1841	1885
Christopher Burns Middleton	1854	1876	1886
William Thomas Dumm	1817	1843	1886
David Anthony Shermer, M. D.	1824	1844	1886
Daniel Fitchett Ewell, M. D.	1817	1839	1888
William Francis Livingston	1836	1861	1888
Charles McFeely Thompson	1843	1668	1889
Robert Thomas Smith	1850	1874	1889
Augustus Webster, D. D.	1808	1832	1890
Samuel Tucker Ferguson	1840	1864	1890
James Thompson	1819	1853	1890
Robert Wilkins Berryman	1816	1876	1891
James Henry Ellegood	1817	1850	1892
Theodore Denny Valiant	1820	1846	1894
John Byrd Whaley, A. M., B. D.	1867	1891	1894
Edwin Ruthven McGregor, A. M., B. D., D. C. L. .	1817	1872	1895
James Kane Nichols, D. D.	1817	1836	1895
Daniel Webster Bates, D. D.	1815	1843	1895
John William Charlton	1832	1860	1896
Thomas E. Coulbourn	1853	1880	1896
Riley Seth Williamson	1863	1887	1896
John Robert Nichols	1815	1838	1886
James Thomas Ward, D. D.	1820	1843	1897
Rhesa Scott Norris	1820	1843	1897
James L. Killgore, D. D.	1832	1872	1898
John Wesley Everist	1810	1834	1898
Robert Luther Lewis	1847	1871	1899
Andrew James Walter	1847	1874	1899
Joshua Thomas Murray, D. D.	1830	1851	1899
George Jeffrey Smith	1844	1876	1900
Hamilton Jefferson Day	1820	1846	1900
William Greenbury Holmes	1822	1855	1900
Laurence Webster Bates, D. D.	1819	1840	1901
W. J. Floyd	1831	1871	1902
Jesse Shreeve	1824	1847	1902
John Edward Tyson Ewell, M. D.	1834	1859	1902
Benjamin Franklin Benson, D. D.	1835	1856	1902
Edward Jacob Drinkhouse, M. D., D. D.	1830	1850	1903
Hammond Spencer Leas, A. M., B. D.	1872	1899	1903
Adolphus David Melvin, D. D.	1846	1872	1904
Abraham Downs Dick	1826	1854	1904
Charles Humphreys Littleton	1829	1852	1905
John Jackson Murray, M. D., D. D.	1824	1842	1905
William Sim Hammond, D. D.	1832	1851	1905
George Durbin Edmonston	1844	1864	1905
William Augustus Crouse	1824	1870	1905
David Wilson, M. D.	1826	1845	1906
William John Neepier	1848	1871	1906
Silas Bruce Southerland, D. D.	1817	1841	1907
Jacob Matthias Yingling	1847	1873	1907
John Hewlings Stockton Ewell	1865	1889	1908
Henry Caleb Cushing, D. D.	1828	1853	1908
James Thomas Lassell, D. D.	1836	1866	1909
John Bayley Jones	1833	1860	1909
Benjamin Parker Truitt	1861	1887	1910
Solomon Asbury Hoblitzell	1836	1859	1911
John David Kinzer, D. D.	1841	1863	1911

OBITUARIES

Rev. Solomon Asbury Hoblitzell

Rev. Solomon Asbury Hoblitzell was born August 23, 1836; was born again under the ministry of Rev. Daniel Bowers October 20, 1856, in his native city, Cumberland, Md., and fell asleep in Jesus in Belair, Md., April 6, 1911.

Orphaned at the age of twelve, he was compelled to leave school and clerk in a store, where he was engaged until he entered the ministry. For this work he began to prepare shortly after his conversion, under the efficient instruction of his pastors for two and a half years, the first year under Daniel Bowers and the second year under H. C. Cushing. With such instructors to guide we are not surprised at his singular devotion to the doctrines and polity of the Methodist Protestant Church. His first sermon was preached August 8, 1858, in his home church, in Cumberland, from Luke 4:18: "The spirit of the Lord is upon me because He hath anointed me to preach the Gospel." In March, 1859, he was received into the Maryland Conference and sent as assistant pastor to Newtown Circuit, where he had training in revival and pastoral work under that eminent pastor and revivalist, Dr. James K. Nichols.

His other fields of labor were Potomac, Kent, Susquehanna, Union, Warwick, Seaford, Chestertown, Pocomoke City, Belair, Mariners, St. Michael's and Lisbon, covering a period of forty-six years of active work in the ministry. In April, 1905, he superannuated and made his home in Belair, from whence he went to glory. As a minister of the Lord Jesus Christ he was eminently successful because he was thoroughly consecrated to his work, because he exemplified in his life the truths of the Gospel, which he so joyfully preached, because his loving spirit was ever yearning for the salvation of souls, because of his intense loyalty to the church, which was dearer to him than his life; because he cheerfully and joyfully took up the burdens and crosses which were in his pathway of itinerant toil and bore them uncomplainingly to the end, and because he was able to infuse somewhat of his optimism and unselfishness of spirit and life into the life of his people to whom he ministered in holy things. He was painstaking and careful in the preparation of his sermons, and was earnest and emotional in their delivery; and, being a man of earnest prayer and implicit in faith, it could not have been otherwise than that his ministry should be fruitful.

Bro. Albert Sudler says: "After knowing him intimately for a number of years, I think him one of the most noble of men and grandest characters

it has ever been my privilege to meet. He was, indeed, one of nature's noblemen. I can not formulate into words my appreciation of his noble life and self-sacrifice for the good of others." Bro. Strayer writes: "I suppose few men stood closer to Brother Hoblitzell than myself. Several times our work neighbored, and we were neighborly pastors and intimate friends. We assisted each other in revival work, and won many a victory together. He was a good man, faithful to his conception of the dignity and responsibility of his calling. He will be held in affectionate remembrance by a host of friends."

Rev. H. L. Schlincke, his pastor, writes: "He was a plain Gospel preacher whom God made singularly successful in saving souls, and also in building and improving church property. Our church in Pocomoke City, and also in Mardela, are memorials of his labors. April 1, 1863, he was married to Eleanora Virginia Follin. She was the queen of his life from the day of his marriage to the time of his death. Good-bye, dear old friend of more than seventeen years. Your words of personal encouragement and good cheer give me the right to offer words of commemoration."

Brother John G. Rouse writes: "It was my privilege to know Bro. S. A. Hoblitzell for many years. I say privilege because I consider it a great one to know a man like him intimately, for to be close to him helped you to be a better man in the desire to follow his good example. His life seemed to be the gushing up of a spirit in sympathy with things true and good and real. His companionship helped take the weight out of our burdens, the wear out of our cares and the weariness out of our work. If the success of preaching is persuading, then as a preacher he was a success, for his sermons were weighted with the endorsement of a noble Christian character, and his everyday life proved the truth, that the best of man is a good heart."

In November, 1908, he had a first stroke of paralysis; on August 15, 1910, he had a second stroke, and a third on September 7. On March 29, 1911, the fatal stroke came which paralyzed the entire left side, involving the brain. During his six years of superannuation he was always willing to assist the pastor in counsel and in service. Fearing he might not be able to testify for Christ in his dying hour because of paralysis, some time ago he wrote: "I have fought a good fight. I have finished my course. I have kept the faith; henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give me in that day; and not to me only, but unto all them also that love His appearing" (2 Tim. 4: 7, 8), and gave the slip of paper to his son, saying: "If anything should happen to me, this is my testimony." After a life of fifty-two years of itinerant toil and pleasure, of trials and triumphs, of sorrows and successes, of battles and victories, at 1 o'clock in the afternoon of Thursday, April 6, 1911, he slept, to be "forever with the Lord," and on the Sabbath following Rev. Dr. Trout and Rev. H. L. Schlincke, the committee appointed

by the Conference, performed the last solemn rites of sepulchre, in the presence of his loved family and friends.

We commend that heart which throbbed in unison with his for forty-eight years as a loving, faithful, cheerful, uncomplaining helpmeet—the wife of his youth and age and the mother of his children; that heart that is walking under the shadow of a great grief, to the God of all consolation, who has said, “My grace is sufficient for thee.”

We commend the children in their great loss to Him who has not only promised to be the “husband to the widow,” but also “a father to the fatherless.”

We commend ourselves as members of the committee, and our brethren of the Conference, for we all loved him, to Him who has said, “Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.” We thank God for his life, for the good he accomplished, for the inspiration it gives us and for the hope of reunion in the glory land.

H. L. SCHLINCKE,
J. L. MILLS,
W. M. STRAYER,
J. G. ROUSE,
J. N. WARFIELD,
ALBERT SUDLER,
Committee.

Rev. John David Kinzer

Rev. John David Kinzer was born at Beaver Dam, Frederick County, Maryland, March 27, 1841. He died at the home of his sister, Miss Annie E. Kinzer, 1849 W. Mulberry Street, Baltimore, Md., May 16, 1911, aged 70 years, one month and 19 days. His parents were Elizabeth Englar and Jasper Kinzer. His earliest educational training was in the public schools in Johnsville, Frederick County, under the care of John S. Repp. When he decided to enter the ministry he placed himself in the private school of Rev. Augustus Webster, D. D., Lutherville, Md., whose ripe scholarship and lofty ideals had much to do with shaping the thought and moulding the ministerial character of the young student. He joined the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church in 1863 and was ordained 2 years later. His first charge was on Frederick Circuit, as assistant to David Wilson. Having served two years as assistant on this charge he went as assistant on the Kent Charge in 1865. He then served as pastor the following charges: Snow Hill, '66-'67; Williamsport, '68-'69; Montgomery, Ala., (loan), '70-'72; Salisbury, '73-'74; Centreville, '75-'78; West Baltimore, '79-'82; Westminster, '83-'85; East Baltimore, '86-'91; President, '92-'96; Pocomoke City, '97-'98; Georgetown, D. C., '99-'03;

East Baltimore, '04-'07; and Union Bridge, '08. Failing health compelled him at this time to give up the work of the active pastorate, but his interest in the general work of the church was so keen that he consented to give what service he could as church extension agent '09. In 1910 he was given the supernumerary relation and at the Conference of 1911 superannuated.

October 16, 1867, he married Mary Elizabeth Sparks, of Chestertown, Md., who died January 9, 1907.

Dr. E. B. Fenby writes: "I have always admired Dr. Kinzer as a Christian gentleman in health and in sickness."

P. W. Hanson writes: "I have always regarded him as a truly godly man."

The following tribute is from Dr. J. W. Hering: "I knew Dr. Kinzer as a boy, I knew him as a man, I knew him as a minister of the gospel, and I knew him as my pastor and friend, and in all of these relations, and with my extended knowledge of him, he was always the same, gentle, lovable, reliable person. His character was singularly rounded and symmetrical. He was a man of large influence and had hosts of friends, who were closely attached to him. Such was Dr. Kinzer, as I knew him. Green be his grave, honored his memory and glorious his reward."

Rev. Edgar T. Read who was his pastor at the time of his death, writes:

I prize highly my boyhood recollections of Dr. Kinzer. He was always kind, and ever showed a great interest in children. In Conference association he was one to whom a young man could go freely, and his manner was such as to encourage confidences. And confidences placed in his great heart were as sacred as his honor. In the hour of a deep trouble I knew what it was to want his presence—and he came at the moment's call. I shall treasure through all life the words of that day.

But I can not find the word to fully describe what an inspiration he was to me, in association as pastor supernumerary of East Baltimore Church. His encouraging words, his presence at the services until sickness prevented, his attention and expression that inspired me while preaching, his hearty hand clasp—all these were more to me than I can ever tell, and they are now hallowed memories.

I thank God that I was privileged to be in touch with this holy man, and to be blessed by his life.

It is difficult to do justice to a man so great and yet so modest, so capable and yet so retiring, and in the estimation of all who knew him the most exalted tribute would not sound like exaggeration. "None knew him but to love him."

As a preacher, he was simple in style, earnest in spirit, and sound in doctrine. Though he lived in the midst of modern Biblical criticism, with a mind open to all new light, yet he had no patience with the minister who substituted speculation for revelation, or dealt flippantly with any spiritual

truth. He never gave "heed to fables and endless genealogies, which minister questionings, rather than a dispensation of God which is in faith;" but was always eager to "keep that which was committed to his trust, avoiding profane and vain babblings, and oppositions of the knowledge which is falsely so called." He was not a brilliant pulpit orator, but a sane, sensible, and spiritual expounder of the Gospel, with such sincerity that he never failed to impress his audience, who felt that he was "handling aright the word of truth."

As a pastor, he had rare tact, unflinching courage, unfailing patience and a loving fidelity to every member of his flock. Perhaps his heaviest weight and greatest worth as a minister of the Gospel were in his walk and conversation among his people. The real and abiding success of his Sunday sermons was determined by his Monday conduct; and thus as a pastor he proved more powerful than as a preacher. We have those who could excel him in scholarly exposition of the Bread of Life, but none who grew stronger on that heavenly diet; and we have more than one who could pay a more ornate tribute to the beauty of the Rose of Shearon, but not one who ever shed more of His fragrance in the street, in the shop, by the bedside of the dying, and over the grave of the dead. His parishioners may have forgotten most of his sermons, but they will never forget his stalwart form on the step, his broad smile as he entered the door, his warm hand grasp, his hearty congratulations at the marriage altar, and at the baptismal font, his prayer in the sick room, and his tear drop over the casket. Like Dryden's good parson "he bore his great commission in his face." Like Goldsmith's village pastor he descended from his pulpit to be almost idolized by his flock:

"The service passed, around the pious man
With steady zeal, each honest rustic ran;
Even children followed, with endearing wile,
And plucked his gown to share the good man's smile."

And many a dying one, like Tennyson's May Queen, thanked the faithful man for showing both "the mercy and the sin."

As a husband, he was an ideal in all the virtues and graces which link happy hearts and make home a foretaste of heaven. For many years an invalid wife leaned hard on his strong arms and they never failed her. Knowing that he was ever loyal to that vow which he made at her marriage altar, she rejoiced in that undivided love which was first passionate and then faithful. Robert Browning was no more devoted to Elizabeth Barrett than was J. D. Kinzer to the frail woman who clung to him as the ivy hugs the oak in time of storm. And surely it must have been his constant care of her by day and his patient vigils by her bed at night during her long last illness, coupled with the shock of her departure, that undermined his

giant strength, for her death marked for him the beginning of the end. He was never again the same in body, mind or spirit.

As an all-round Conference man, he had no superior. Awake to every interest of his beloved Zion, fair and strong in debate, generous in purse, and ready to respond to every call for sacrifice and service, it is no wonder that he was placed again and again in the General Conference to stand as a tower of strength; nor is it strange that in a critical hour his annual conference broke all precedent by electing him president for five successive years. From the foundation of the Westminster Theological Seminary he was a member of the Board of Governors and at the time of his death the Board's president. He was always intelligent, aggressive and loyal in advancing the interest of this School of the Prophets, and one of his last official acts was the signing of his name to the diplomas of fourteen graduates who were about to enter their life work in the ministry. In 1906 he was elected a member of the Board of Trustees of the Western Maryland College. In every place of trust he was weighed and not found wanting. Blessed be the memory of our beloved brother Barnabas: "for he was a good man and full of the Holy Ghost and of faith and much people was added unto the Lord."

H. L. ELDERDICE,

F. T. LITTLE,

E. T. READ,

J. W. HERING,

E. B. FENBY,

P. W. HANSON,

Committee.

Mrs. Avery Donovan

Ida, daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth Dawson, was born in Seaford, Del., July 17, 1861. She was converted in childhood, and at once became active in church work.

On February 22, 1882, she united in marriage with Avery Donovan and became a member of the Methodist Protestant Church. She passed to her eternal home July 24, 1911, and her body was laid to rest in the Odd Fellows' Cemetery at Seaford, Del. Thus briefly we record the facts of history, but no one can write the life of this good woman. When her husband entered the ministry she adapted herself to the new life with perfect ease and became one of the most useful workers in our Conference. Her praise is in all the churches where she lived and planned and worked for the extension of the kingdom of God.

Her affectionate devotion to her family, her cordial hospitality, her sound judgment, her executive ability and her untiring energy as a pas-

tor's wife may not be fully written in this memorial. It is all known to the Master. It is recorded in heaven and in the hearts of hundreds who were permitted to know and love her.

"She won her way to the hearts of all the people, and while this generation lives her name will be held in loving remembrance."

"She spent her life for the good of others, and gave more time and labor to the church than any lady that has graced our parsonage."

"It was my privilege to be much in the home of Brother Donovan. I enjoyed being there. There was tonic in the atmosphere of that home. A godly woman was there. A lovely wife and mother. O, what a power for good Sister Ida Donovan was!"

These are some of the tender sentiments that have come to the chairman of this committee.

The members of this committee all knew her well, and this paper is but a feeble expression of their esteem. The grandest tribute to her unselfish life is the undying love of her many friends.

A sorrowing husband and three children—Rachael, Grace and Avery Donovan, Jr.—and three brothers—Frank, William and George E. Dawson—look up through their tears and call her blessed.

Her illness was of short duration. In a few moments she closed her eyes to earth and opened them in heaven.

Rev. J. M. Sheridan, president, assisted by a number of ministers, officiated at the funeral.

W. M. STRAYER,
F. T. LITTLE,
T. R. WOODFORD,
J. H. ELLIOTT,
A. P. BOWEN,
M. A. DAVIS,
Committee.

Mrs. John M. Holmes

Virginia Ferguson Holmes suddenly passed from the range of mortal vision to the fellowship of heaven January 10, 1912. In March, 1911, she was united in holy matrimony to our esteemed brother Dr. John M. Holmes, who was then pastor of our church in Alexandria, Va. At the following session of Conference they were moved to Harrington, Del. Here she spent the few remaining months of her happy wedded life. At the time of her death she was on a visit to her old home, and friends in Washington. She seemed to be the very picture of perfect, robust health. She was in the best of spirits. On Sabbath morning at Rhode Island Avenue Church, her old church home, she requested the privilege of a few words to the congregation. In almost prophetic utterance she said, "I want you all to come up and take my hand at the close of the service; I do not know when I shall

have the pleasure of greeting you again." As she stood there, it seemed to one and all that the plans of her life, sunlight and quivering with joy, lay before her, stretching far down the coming years. That day she was the very personification of buoyant, triumphant life; yet in two short days she was gone. As a sun falling out of the sky at noonday, as a flower withering in its bloom she was stricken and died. The orange blossoms had scarce faded from her bridal wreath ere she left her fond husband, and her new home to walk with God in the holy palaces of heaven. It was a bleak and wintry night, when she left the earth to enter the summerland above, where the shades of night never fall. How marvelous, how swift, how beautiful the change!

Mrs. Holmes was born in Washington, D. C., September 21, 1867. She was the daughter of Robert and Virginia Ferguson. Her father, Robert Ferguson, of precious memory, organized a Sunday School from which our North Carolina Avenue Church in Washington ultimately grew. Here she began her religious life. When she was well grown, for reasons satisfactory to herself, she joined Central Church in the same city, and, at the earnest solicitation of her pastor, went to the altar, but, as her husband says, "Came away as she went; for she was seeking a Saviour she had already found, and devoting herself to One she already loved and served."

From the other members of this committee come words full of loving, tender appreciation of our friend's character. Rev. Dr. J. M. Gill writes:

"I was pastor of Mrs. Virginia Holmes for nine years. I met her in all phases of church work and life. I saw her in health and sickness, in joy and sorrow, in her home and away from home. I had a chance to discover something of her true life and character, and in all those years she proved herself the same high-toned lady, and a loyal, devoted, conscientious servant of her Master. She was one the pastor could always count upon in a crisis, or at an important station in the army of God. She was a woman of fine intellect, keen intuitive powers, a refined, sensitive nature, high ideals in morals and womanhood, unselfish in spirit and always ready to help those in need; loyal to her pastor, and a Methodist Protestant by birth as well as from principle."

Doctor Greenfield, who was her pastor for a brief season, writes: "The casual meetings I had with her gave me the impression of an intense woman—intensely loving and loveable."

Two of the laymen on this committee are members of the church of which her husband was pastor at the time of her death. There she had her short reign as "Lady of the Manse." These brethren both speak in the warmest terms of her exalted character. Brother Irving Legates says of her, "She impressed me as being a Christian of the highest type. By the sweetness of her disposition, the loveliness of her character, the beauty and usefulness of her life, her fidelity to Christ and the church, her devotion to her husband and family won for her a large place in the hearts of the people of Harrington. To know her was to love her."

Brother A. L. Wix writes: "Mrs. Holmes was a beautiful character. We admired and loved her. As a pastor's wife she was all that could be desired. She was entirely consecrated to God's will. She loved the church and its institutions. She was intelligent and accomplished. She loved the young people and had great tact in leading them."

Brother T. J. Wilson, of Rhode Island Avenue Church, speaks of her wonderful devotion to those who were in trouble. He refers to the fact that one summer when he and his wife were away on the Pacific coast Mrs. Holmes took the house to nurse a lifelong sufferer who needed her care. She was frequently in his home for days and weeks at a time, and they loved her very fondly.

In all these there is but one note: "None named her but to praise." Her husband, broken-hearted at her sudden death, strikes the keynote of her character as it was revealed to the writer while for a brief time her pastor: "She had a passion for doing good. A talent for discovering those who needed her services. A genius for adapting her services to their greatest good. A power to obliterate herself, and work with an abandon of everything but the joy of the service. She never wearied in her services, but, like the sun and the shower, she blessed and continued to bless, for the pure joy of blessing."

These words portray the very holy of holies of this dear woman's life, as I saw it revealed from that day. She was beautiful in person, she had a rare charm of personality, her voice was as soft as cooing doves, she was endowed with wonderful self-control she had a tact and a touch which soothed pain and comforted the sufferer, she was gifted with graces and accomplishment far above the average, her mind was richly stored with noble thought; but every grace of her personal charm, every faculty of mind and heart was consecrated to her Master in the holy passion to help somebody. These words are not exaggeration. This was the purpose of her life, the one centre around which everything revolved. Hers was the "Life Beautiful" because self was lost in the sublime pity for another's pain.

This spirit manifested itself in childhood. Even then she was sober beyond her years. At fourteen she was teaching a class of boys and young men at North Carolina Avenue Church, and such was the quiet dignity with which she bore herself that none thought of her youth except to wonder at the wisdom of her words, and the sweetness of her spirit.

She was naturally religious. The earth on which she lived was holy ground, and life itself a holy trust. She was utterly loyal to her Master from her childhood to the grave.

Her life was full of hidden ministries. We never knew what she was to this church until she was gone. Then we heard how in different places, unknown to us, she had been scattering the roses of human kindness in the desolate lives of those around her. She learned in her passionate devotion to her Master to love the unlovely. With them her sweet low voice, her

gentle, tender tact, her ready hand were as the ministry of God's blessed angels. When she passed away they were too poor to bring flowers, but their tears watered her bier.

She recognized the royalty of service, and no task was too menial if it would help somebody. When a greivous sickness invaded her pastor's home, she sent him word that she was willing to do anything for him in his trouble from scrubbing the kitchen to nursing the sick.

She had a wonderful influence over young men. They gave her their confidence, and came to her for counsel where to others they were silent and afraid. The day she died a boy, who had been one of her Juniors before her marriage, came weeping into his home. His mother supposed he had received some hurt in play. When he could speak for his sobs he told her he had just heard that Miss Virginia (for so she was called among us) was dead. One of the most beautiful wreaths that blossomed upon her coffin was sent by a class of young men in her husband's church which she had gathered to instruct in the Word of God. She wove the spell of her beautiful life into the fabric of human hearts, and the beauty of that spell will long, perhaps forever, remain a restraint and an inspiration.

The day we laid her away was one of the worst of this cruel winter. The snowflakes fell upon her coffin and her grave, and with them mingled the gorgeous bloom of the conservatory—speaking together of the glory of the mystic relationship of snow-white purity, and fragrant, beautiful, eternal life.

The "why" of this sad and tragic bereavement we may not understand. We can not know why ever a beautiful life is stricken in its prime, and when the world seems to need it most. On its earthly side the providence seems mysterious and confusing. But in the light of the Gospel and the beautiful life she had lived; if ever the sun of hope and assurance in mid-day splendor rested upon a bier, it flooded the coffin in which reposed the dear form of Virginia Ferguson Holmes; if ever the angels of hope sang around a sepulchre, they sang over her grave on that bitter winter's day.

"Where she hath gone
No evening shadows linger cold and gray;
No winds of winter chill the summer day;
A fadeless springtime blooms upon the way
Where she hath gone."

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Mrs. W. F. Livingston

Mrs. Amanda Livingston was born in Williamsport, Md., April 19, 1838, as Amanda Embry. She married James W. Miller in 1859, and of this marriage two sons were born, Charles and Wesley, still living. Mr. Miller died in 1861, and in 1873 she married Rev. W. F. Livingston who was at that time serving Williamsport Circuit. In the following year they moved to Concord, serving that circuit four years, then to Deer Creek for three years, to Middleway for two years, and to Potomac for five years. In 1888 her husband was superannuated and they moved to Westminster where he died in the following November. Mrs. Livingston continued to live at Westminster for a number of years, until the son born of her second marriage was grown and entered business in another locality, when she went to live with him. She died in Cherrydale, Va., January 17, 1912, and was buried in Mt. Olivet Cemetery at Ballston, Va.

During her residence in Westminster Mrs. Livingston made many friends. Her Christian character and her great usefulness in the church made her an important member of the Westminster Church and she was much appreciated. I doubt if there was any one in the church more active and more effective in the noble ministry of love and helpfulness than Mrs. Livingston. Her pastor trusted her and found constant assistance in her advice and co-operation. She was wise, discreet and full of faith and good works. One could well understand how well adapted she was to the work of a pastor's wife, and she accomplished a great deal in her simple ministry as a private member of the church after her husband's departure.

Two of the members of Potomac Charge testify to her great usefulness as a pastor's wife. And the present pastor of that work says: "I knew her to be a splendid woman both as a personal friend and an influential Christian. She was very modest and unassuming, yet she was always doing good. Her great desire seemed to be to so live that others might be happy, and the church and community miss her very much."

More than three score and ten years she was permitted to live and labor in the gracious ministry of a good woman. Now that she has gone to her reward, full of years and honors of the best sort, we may rejoice that she has finished her course and gone to receive her crown. Those who had the privilege of knowing her will not forget her, and so there is a crown for her on earth also. Her memory is as ointment poured forth.

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Mrs. Charles McFeely Thompson

Mrs. Anna Auld Thompson, widow of Rev. Charles McFeely Thompson, of the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, was born August 31, 1850, at St. Michael's, Md. Her parents, James and Eliza Caulk, were faithful members of the Methodist Protestant Church.

She was reared from early life into the church, and at a very early age was converted and gave herself without reserve to every interest she was competent to fill. Rev. J. M. Holmes says, "I remember her as a pure, good girl, who was always ready to bear her part in the work of the church, and perform faithfully all her duties as a Christian.

Possessed of a quiet spirit and retiring manner the service of Christ seemed the natural field in which she would find full opportunity for the development of her character, so she was always to be found in her place in the Sunday School, and other gatherings of the church, where her gentleness and kindness made her a blessing. She was married to Rev. Charles McFeeley Thompson on October 19, 1871, and from her life as we knew it, we were convinced he had made no mistake. No one feared for her future nor his. The suitability of both natures united in one profession was apparent to all thoughtful friends, and the life that followed shows that. What God joined together was a blessing to themselves and others. Rev. J. Earle Maloy says, "She was a lovely woman, gentle and patient and devoted to her husband and a true help-meet to him in his high calling and God-given work."

After a long and painful illness, which she bore with great patience, she passed from earth to heaven August 20, 1911. Funeral services were held at the home, and she was laid to rest beside her lamented husband in the St. Michael's Cemetery. She leaves to mourn their loss two children, Mrs. Robert H. Carey and Mr. William James Thompson.

Our own are our own forever, God taketh not back His gift;

They may pass beyond our vision, but our souls shall find them out,
When the waiting is all accomplished and the deathly shadows lift,

And the glory is given for grieving, and the surety of God for doubt.

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J. M. HOLMES,
J. EARLE MALOY,
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THE SERMON

BY REV. L. F. WARNER.

Text—Mark 12: 37: "The common people heard Him gladly."

The kind of leadership is determined by the character of the following. Literary people follow a scholar. Business people follow a merchant prince. Sporting people follow an athlete. What kind of people followed Christ? "The common people heard him gladly." And this does not necessarily mean the rabble of the community heard Him gladly. People who are called common by social standards may have altogether a different classification when judged by divine standards. Man's horizontals are never as exact nor even as exacting as God's perpendicular. Character to be seen in its right proportion and perspective must be viewed from the standpoint of heaven.

A more correct rendering of the text would be—"The great multitude, heard him gladly." The word multitude occurs in the Gospel in connection with the ministry of Christ 82 times. If words of kindred meaning are also included, the New Testament picture of Jesus becomes a picture of Jesus in the midst of surging throngs. Even when Christ slipped away from the people for seasons of rest and devotion, often these seasons would be broken into or at least cut short by the clamor of the crowds. The multitudes were constantly at his heels. If He went to the seashore, the throngs surged about Him like the billowy waves at his feet. If He took His disciples into a mountain for special instruction, the people must follow Him and stand within hearing distance. Even in a desert place the multitudes listened to Him and would not depart. And He would not have them depart until His compassion had spread the table and satisfied hunger with living bread. Once they wanted to put a crown upon the head of Christ, but for Him there was no lustre in the gold. In some marvelous way He escaped out of the very clutches of the populace. Later with waving banners and amid the enthusiasm of unnumbered hosts, He made His triumphant entry into Jerusalem with the meekness of a man and yet with the mightiness of a Conqueror and King. These crowds were so dense Luke in his Gospel speaks of "an innumerable multitude of people, insomuch that they trode one upon another." They came from all sections, out of Judea and Galilee, out of every city and from the distant seacoasts. There is nothing like it

in human history. No prophet or teacher or reformer ever had so multitudinous a following. The splendid achievements of Caesar in Rome, Kossuth in Hungary, Garibaldi in Italy, Cromwell in England, Tolstoi in Russia pale into insignificance before the magnificent and munificent ministry of the Nazarene. And likewise with the leadership of those who might technically be called religious teachers. No golden-mouthed Chrysostom nor silver-tongued Whitefield nor even those of more modern times who have gone forth with anointed lips, like Spurgeon in the old world and Phillips Brooks in the new world and Dwight L. Moody who travelled over the whole world, could grip the hearts of men as did the incomparable and renowned Galilean. Christ stands without a peer in every element of leadership. The common people heard Him gladly and in the intuitions of the common people Jesus finds a loyal and lasting tribute.

But why did the multitudes hear Christ gladly? On this particular occasion Jesus spoke in the temple. It must have been an audience of Jews. When the Great Teacher confounded the Scribes and Pharisees by His doctrine concerning the Messiahship, the multitude was delighted. The people felt their religious leaders were too presumptuous. They enjoyed the manner in which Christ humiliated and silenced their proud claims. Christ was not dealing simply with religious problems but also with political problems. He pointed to the real throne and uncovered the real source of sovereignty. It was not so much descent from David as ascent to the God of David. And in expounding His peculiar doctrine Christ did not simply expose the pretensions of subordinates. He had the courage to go "higher up." He was really striking at the provincial Governor and even at the Emperor behind the whole system of oppression. This champion of public rights and human rights issued a bold challenge and those in authority did not dare take up the gauntlet. Already disintegrating forces were at work and soon the culmination was reached in the decline and fall of Rome so well described by Gibbon.

If Christ was disparaged and despised by the rulers, He was popular with the masses. The crowds gathered and grew about Him just as crowds gather and grow about any conspicuous individual. Let some one achieve notoriety and all the world must come to see and hear. But no attractiveness of crowds could account for the popularity of Jesus. Christ's reputation was not yet made. It is one thing to see the finished product of character. It is another thing to have vision to see the man and even the Messiah in the process of revelation. The enthusiasm of crowds quickly wanes unless there is some vital truth to feed the enthusiasm. He who appeals to the multitude without substantial and substantiating proofs back of his appeal is either a fool or a fanatic. The populace never has and never will tolerate religious impositions and irreligious impostors to any length of time. But Jesus was as sincere as He was sympathetic; as honest as He was heroic; as good as He was generous. He never lost His

grip upon human hearts. He maintained His prestige and pre-eminence as a leader of men to the end of His ministry.

It was not the crowd but the Christ in the crowd that was the real magnet. Extraordinary conditions cannot be interpreted by ordinary conditions. A divine revelation must be divinely explained. Without doubt the miracles of Christ contributed to His fame. Many came to Him primarily to be healed. His teachings certainly must have charmed and convinced. Even His enemies said—"Never man spake like this man." His specific claim to Messiahship must also be reckoned with and this claim has been reckoned with by critics of all descriptions in all ages. But in the essential and ultimate analysis, the real secret of His phenomenal ministry is always the secret of personality. It is not so much what Jesus says and does as what He is which puts the seal upon the Divine Manhood. The multitudes which followed Christ in Palestine may not always have been able to interpret their religious consciousness. With their lips they called Christ a prophet. Down in their hearts they felt He was more than a prophet. Christ lifted the veil and gave the people a new vision. They could see God and they could see themselves and themselves not simply as they were, but themselves as they ought to be. The responsiveness of the crowds did not always mean open discipleship, but it always meant some phase of discipleship. The popular enthusiasm which Jesus created is the testimony of His own ministry to the abiding interest of the masses in spiritual truth.

Christ must attract the people even as the magnet attracts the iron and steel. By a law as operative and universal as physical gravitation the forces of the spiritual world draw to one common center. If the churches to-day are not crowded and the faith exemplified by the church is not making a vigorous impression upon modern life, it is only because the Christ ideal and the Christ spirit do not have proper embodiment. Religious conditions cannot be very hopeful, certainly not very heartening, when the Christian Churches of this country report for the year 1911 a net increase of less than 1.7 per cent. According to the returns of the Thirteenth Census, the denominations which have made the most rapid strides in the last decade are those which have gone forth on some theological tangent. The cults which parade under the name of religious culture are at the top of the list. Christian Science reports a gain of 882 per cent. Philosophical and ethical societies like spiritualism, theosophy, etc., grouped together show an increase of 452 per cent., while the denominations which have followed the beaten track of traditional orthodoxy, orbiting their faith around the historic and spiritual Christ have figures which might feel more comfortable, hiding beneath the dusty documents of a Government bureau. Statistics have to be studied to be appreciated, but it can be seen by an ordinary glance the growth of the evangelical churches is not keeping pace with the growth of the population.

There is some truth in every system of error, just enough truth to catch the unguarded and the unguided, but no single segment of the truth can ever balance a world-wide propaganda. The truth must be presented in full-sphered completeness, if light is to shine for all. And not only the message, but the method of its expression must be wise. To fail in wisdom of method is to be as ineffective as to fail in wholesomeness of the message. If Church life were synonymous with Christ life no impulse of numerous movements would be needed to quicken flagging energies—a Laymen's Missionary Movement to stimulate interest for the foreign field and a Men and Religion Movement to make more vital the work in the home field. I do not condemn the Church nor even these special and spasmodic movements in the Church. I would rather commend the Church and I do commend the Church for its successes, but I would not be true to my vision if I did not direct attention to those particular phases where spiritual ministries fail and falter. If we are to have better conditions we must first know present conditions and we can never know present conditions until we set ourselves earnestly to investigate. Spiritual quest is usually the secret of spiritual conquest. The Christian Church must get in alignment with the whole program of Jesus and this working adjustment must be brought about speedily or a great opportunity will be lost or at least be postponed to a less convenient season. Back to Christ and Back to Christ now is the only solution of the vexed and vexing problems which confront the people of God. Back to Christ. If that is a good slogan, then let it ring forth as a clarion call, as a new challenge to loyalty and leadership.

Jesus mastered men only because He had mastered the vital principles which make men. Why did the multitudes hear Him gladly? Christ had a divine grasp upon PSYCHOLOGICAL principles. We are looking to psychology for the interpretation of human phenomena. Not only mental attitudes and aptitudes but spiritual tendencies and temperaments are also included in the scope of this interesting science. Yet long before psychology was given scientific statement, Jesus knew what was in man. And knowing man perfectly He could present an ideal scheme of redemption both in methods of appeal and approach. Jesus came in the fullness of times? In modern phraseology we might say His coming was at the psychological moment. And the psychological idea was inwrought in the very Incarnation as a means of spiritual interpretation. If men are to understand a revelation of God, it must be put into terms of human comprehension. So Jesus took upon Himself our humanity. He lived on the earth not simply as a man, but as a man living in the humblest walks of society. The common people heard Him gladly. He had something in common with them. Because Jesus was a man of the people He could be a champion of the people. By living in close touch with them, He had a vision of their needs. He had an insight into the causes from which sprang their discon-

tent and wretchedness. And the people were close enough to their great Benefactor to appreciate His sympathy and to receive His offers of hope and salvation. The same psychological necessity is upon those who are to represent the Christ. The world can never be saved by abstract truth. In the scheme of redemption God does not depend simply upon the Book nor even upon the distinct personality of the Divine Man, but also upon those who are a living exemplification of the Bible and of the Christ. The production of the truth in Jesus made a marvellous impression, but the reproduction of the truth in the followers of Jesus is an incarnation brought down to date. If some find it difficult to understand the Christ life as revealed in the Scriptures, they ought not to find it difficult to understand the Christ life as it dominates a human soul and fills the world with heroic and helpful service.

If multitudes to-day do not flock to the standards of the Gospel, it may be because the representatives of Christ do not get in touch with the multitudes. Some ministers spend most of their time in the study and then wonder why they preach to empty pews. Some preachers are more fearful of mixing metaphors than of mixing with the masses. The people went after Christ because He went after them. There must not only be social contact, but the closer spiritual contact. We must go after people with the specific purpose of winning them to God. Much of what is called pastoral visiting sometimes hardly reaches the dignity of social visiting. A preacher must identify himself with the very life of his parish. He must give brain and nerves and soul unremittingly and unreservedly. He must know definite needs if he is to minister intelligently and helpfully. And people are quick to follow the one who best understands them. I attended the Water St. Mission in New York on one occasion and Mr. Hadley the Superintendent said to me, "We never ask a minister to take charge of our services." Smilingly he added, "It would kill the meeting." Then he offered an explanation and his explanation was simply the working out of a vital principle in psychology. The meeting must be led by one of the boys, some one who has been down and out, some one who has heard and heeded the call and who can stand up as an object lesson of what the grace of God can do for poor sinners. As the poor wretches come into the service, hear the singing, listen to the testimonies, see the wonderful change wrought in old associates, hope is kindled anew in the heart. But how are we to account for the awakened interest when, no doubt, other evangelistic appeals had failed? Scientifically, it is the psychic effect of human personality. No class of people can be reached for Christ in very large numbers, no matter what may be the social or religious status until some one from that particular class becomes the messenger and interpreter of the new life. This is the secret of the wonderful success of the Salvation Army. It spiritually understands what technically is called the psychology of evangelism.

The preacher must find a basis of fellowship in the people he would serve. But his ministry must not be confined to any particular class. A

class spirit soon develops a caste spirit. The little boy stumbling thru the New Testament was only voicing a popular idea when he read—Paul the Apostle to the genteel. The Gospel must be preached not simply to certain individuals in the multitude, but to the whole multitude of individuals. The only sure basis of social advancement is in the progress of the masses. Before the coming of Christ, philosophers had argued that the only way to elevate the masses was to strengthen the classes. But Jesus knew what He was about when He permitted the multitudes to follow Him. And the logic of history has demonstrated that Christ had the right view point. If you would reform or transform the social system, you must begin at the bottom. The old saying that the rich are getting richer and the poor, poorer, is not an economic fact. We are nearer the truth when we say the rich are getting poor and the poor are getting rich. It is but the transformation of a few generations and sometimes even of one generation. I have stood on Ellis' Island, watching the time of immigration flow in upon our shore. I have seen government barges unload their human cargo. I have seen hordes of European peasants, excited and bewildered, rush into the main building for inspection, like a flock of sheep. It is a curious sight. People in strange and shabby costume, bundles in their arms, bundles on their heads, children hanging to mothers' skirts. Many of them so poor, just able to squeeze thru the rigid requirements concerning maintenance. And yet with it all, one cannot help but notice the rugged simplicity and honesty upon so many faces. The remarkable thing about our foreign population when not segregated, is its faculty and facility for assimilation into American life. If you could see the motley crowd now surging upon Ellis' Island 20 years hence, you would see a vast improvement. And if you could see the next generation, you would be amazed at the advancement in prosperity, in culture, in character. The common people are the hope of the Church. If I have emphasized one class unduly, I have not emphasized one class unfairly. Here is a neglected phase of the Christian ministry. The poor do not always have the Gospel preached unto them, and we do not fulfill the ideal of Christ until His message is carried even to the poorest man in the community.

The minister faces a difficult task. I use the term minister because it is more comprehensive than preacher or pastor and it is the Scriptural term. We are called into the ministry. Preaching is only one phase of the ministry. Pastoral work is another phase. The true minister of Jesus must touch human life everywhere and in the exercise of his numerous ministerial functions, he must make every realm of knowledge contribute to his efficiency. He must face his difficult task rationally and scientifically. He ought, at least, to have some grasp upon psychological principles, because every problem with which he has to deal in individual and social life, is, in its last analysis, a psychological problem. No facts can be more helpful to the minister than facts of psychology and in so far as

these facts are rightly understood, they reveal a world of suggestiveness concerning methods of evangelism. Like our blessed Master, we must know man and first of all we must know ourselves as a basis for the interpretation of human experience. We can hardly minister to the need of the soul without a corresponding appreciation of the nature of the soul. Prayer must never be forgotten, but there must be application of the things we can do as well as supplication for the things we cannot do. We must keep in touch with the Holy Spirit, but let it be remembered endowment is usually in proportion to endowment. We are to study the book of man as well as the book of God. And while we are busy searching the Scriptures, we must likewise be busy searching for opportunities in which to make the Written Word a Living Word. Here is the conclusion of the whole appeal. The Christian minister must be wise enough in mind to learn God's way and willing enough in spirit to render loyal and loving co-operation.

The multitudes heard Christ gladly, because He had a divine grasp upon SOCIOLOGICAL principles. The Church must minister to the whole man. It must help people physically, intellectually, socially as well as spiritually. Too often Christian activity is simply spiritual activity. The doors of the average church are closed from Sabbath to Sabbath, with the exception of prayer meeting night and the occasional social which is usually gotten up to make money rather than to make friends. The people are left to work out their own salvation and none fear and tremble for the outcome save those who have vision to see neglected opportunities. Jesus satisfied the hunger of the body before He satisfied the hunger of the soul. He saved people first from weakness and suffering and afterward from waywardness and sinfulness. The Church must be a social center as well as a spiritual center. If this means the Institutional Church the changed viewpoint involves not so much a revolution as an evolution. Indeed, we might say Institutionalism is no novelty at all. No where do we find a more conspicuous and comprehensive type of applied Christianity than in the Acts of the Apostles. The institutional church as commonly interpreted, may not be practicable for all communities, but without doubt some institutional features could be introduced into most churches. And these institutional features need not be of the debatable type like moving pictures and billiard rooms and dance halls. The problem is not solved even when the pleasures of the people are municipalized. There must be spiritual leadership if the institutional idea is to minister helpfully to the whole man and the whole community. Jane Addams, in speaking out of the experience of social settlement work, recently said—"There is little serious antagonism among workingmen to the Church, for to them the Church is nothing. It does not come into their view." The masses are often unreached because often untouched. They do not know and they do not know because the Church has not always made serious and systematic

attempts at social interpretation. Let no one say the teachings of Jesus are a failure until the teachings of Jesus have been wrought out into everyday life, or, at least, have had the opportunity to be wrought out into every day life. If the whole program of Christ could be put into active operation, who doubts there would be a mighty awakening among the indifferent multitudes?

And the Church must minister not simply to the social nature, but to the social environment. The Church must see more than the individual. It must see the relationship of individuals. I will not say there has been over-emphasis upon individualism, but I do say there has been under-emphasis upon social responsibilities. In essential meaning human goodness is social goodness. No man liveth unto himself. He who withdraws from the multitude and shuts himself up in asceticism, shuts himself up in mysticism and when religion becomes wholly mystical, it becomes too mysterious for human form and human formulation. If the ascetic does not defy the thought of God, he may, at least, deify absurd and abnormal notions into the thought of God. He may so lose his spiritual bearings that with some sudden flash of saner moments there comes the awful conviction—My theology is drifting into mythology. The Gospel must be expressed in terms of social relation. The normal man is ever touching the jostling multitudes, and if there is to be an intelligent appreciation of divine Fatherhood, there must be an adequate recognition of human brotherhood. The social teachings of Jesus do not need restatement so much as reinstatement. Sociology could well have as dignified a place in the curriculum of our religious schools as theology. While theology is a discourse upon God and man's relation to God, sociology is a discourse upon society and of those principles which God would have His creatures to observe in their relation with one another. Sociology is not a recent science. It is only recent in the sense that many of its applications are recent. Sociology is rather a growing science. New conditions of social life are constantly arising. Hence the necessity for new interpretations of general principles. But long before the environment of men became complex, there was need for the enforcement of social rules and regulations. The social message of Christianity is not an after-thought of men. When rightly understood, it represents the very thought of Christ. The best sociology to-day is the sociology of the New Testament. Jesus Himself enunciated principles of social science which have never been outgrown. He made but a single statement concerning industrial problems, but in that one sentence is to be found the very heart of the relationship between capital and labor. "The laborer is worthy of his hire." He invaded the sphere of politics and spoke so comprehensively, no other word need be added except by way of amplification. "Render unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's." Christ put every question of religion and morality upon the basis of the greatest commandment of all. "Thou shalt love the Lord thy

God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbor as thyself." The first part of the commandment is individual; the second part is social. Christ never separated these fundamental requirements and any modern attempt at separation is a diversion if not a perversion of the truth. The Church can never do as it ought until it properly learns to co-ordinate the distinctive phases of the Master's teachings.

Christ came to establish the Kingdom of Heaven on earth as well as the Kingdom of God in the heart. The salvation of the individual can hardly be complete without the salvation of the social organism. Religion is not a stereotyped formula to keep people faithful that they may at last meet one another in heaven. Religion is the spontaneous expression of divine life for the creation of heavenly conditions here and now. It is not sufficient to proclaim the Gospel of regeneration to the sinner. The Gospel of regenerating power must be directed to the environments which provoke men to sin. There is need for evangelists and pastors, but there is also need for prophets to discern the purposes of God and to make clear and emphatic the vision of an ideal world. The Church does not give its constituency the fairest chance if it leaves social inequities and iniquities unassailed and unadjusted. Dr. Josiah Strong, in his book, the Next Great Awakening, states the gist of the awakening in these words. "The Church will discover it is much wiser to clean up the mud puddle so that jewels will no longer get lost than it is to devote all its time to the recovering of a small proportion of lost jewels." In other words we must save men rather than souls and men will never be completely saved until the mud puddle in the social system is cleaned up. We make heroic efforts to lift the drunkard out of the gutter. Would it not be better to clean up the saloon which debauches manhood? Grand juries visit the almshouse and jail and order a cleaning up. Would it not be better to clean up the conditions which make paupers and criminals? We apologize and to some extent try to regulate the infamous evils of society. Would it not be better to clean up the pernicious standards back of social infamies? The Church is beginning to study causes rather than effects. Its investigations are reaching below the facts to the underlying laws and principles and in this philosophic attempt to understand the social problem, lies the hope of its fuller and final solution. Not only the social consciousness, but the social conscience of the church is being awakened and under divinely-guided leadership this awakening must ultimately find crystallization in new customs, in new laws, in new institutions, in a new regime of righteousness.

The time has come when the Church must deal specifically with composite as well as with individual types. In any scheme of world-wide evangelism, the civilization of so-called Christian countries becomes the dominant and determining factor. If the Church cannot elevate society, its exaltation of the individual can only have a circumscribed meaning and

application. Civilization must bear the stamp of the Church and the official stamp of the Church. Much philanthropic work is done in the world. And while the work is done largely by the people of the Church, it is not **always done in the name of the Church.** No work inspired by a Christlike spirit should ever be forced out of the Church to find a basis of co-operative action and such would not be the case if the Church had a true conception of its mission. International arbitration, political responsibilities, civic betterment, industrial emancipation, prevention of crime, regulation of divorce, suppression of the liquor traffic, playgrounds for children and happy hours for tired men and women are fields of service which could well be included within the technical spheres of church activity. As some one has said, "The Christianity which is not philanthropic is as defective as the philanthropy which is not Christian." If the Church is to win the busy, bustling world, it must show a universal interest in human affairs. People will never hear with eagerness until the ministry of the Church becomes as broad as the ministry of Christ.

The multitudes heard Christ gladly because He had a divine grasp upon THEOLOGICAL principles. The social aspects of religion are not to be emphasized above the spiritual aspects. Both aspects are parts of one inseparable Gospel and must have a common emphasis. For purposes of sermonic discussion I have put the social feature first because it would seem if the Church loses its social leadership, it must inevitably lose in spiritual leadership. All of man must be ministered unto or man cannot be ministered unto at all. And furthermore, social perfection cannot be to the detriment of the spiritual nature, but will rather intensify the hunger of the heart for God. Whether dealing with an individual or a collection of individuals the vital thing always is the message. No matter how specious or scientific may be the methods by which the multitude is reached, it is useless to go unless we can take something worth hearing and heeding. The minister is a man with a message and a message from God. We fail and we deserve to fail when we have no message for the people. What is the message? It is the truth. The multiplication-table is truth. The indestructibility of matter is truth. The law of gravitation is truth. The unity of life is truth, but these truths cannot regenerate and save from sin. The message of the minister must be spiritual truth. The pulpit becomes a platform and the sermon, an oration or essay when the minister's voice becomes an oracle in current politics, in science, in literature, in philosophy or even in ethics. Facts may be gathered from every department of thought and activity, but illustrations should never overshadow the thing illustrated. The Gospel needs to be explained, but it does not need to be explained away. The physician can speak more authoritatively on pathology and therapeutics; the lawyer, on common law and statutory law; the statesman, on the Initiative and Referendum. There is always disappointment among thoughtful people when the minister fails to devote

himself to his specialty. His business is religion and it is a business which **must** be pursued without apology and without tricks of sensationalism. Some ministers use catchy subjects to attract the crowd and while a Gospel sermon may be preached, those who come as a result of the fanciful announcement, feel they have not been fairly dealt with. And as a rule they never come again. To say the least, it looks like getting an audience under false pretenses. There need be no deception nor even diplomacy in the formal declaration of ministerial purpose. It is always the proclamation of spiritual truth.

But lest spiritual truth should be distorted or particular phases of the truth be magnified out of their due proportions, the message of the minister must be "the truth as it is in Jesus." Theological hobbies must not be ridden in the pulpit or anywhere else. The constant reiteration of the same idea indicates the mind is working along the lines of least resistance. What is thought out easily is usually thought out eagerly and egotistically. We are to think Christ's thoughts after Him and we are to follow Him all the way to the cross. Christ did not die because He was faithful to the truth. His death is the very heart of the truth. Those who study the Scriptures carefully cannot fail to notice that in the person of Christ is to be found the unity and significance of the whole book. The Bible is a sealed mystery until the revelation of Jesus becomes the key to unlock its hidden treasures. And what did Jesus teach? He taught essential truth and symmetrical truth. He taught the truth concerning God and the truth concerning man. Where should the study of theology begin? With God or man? We need not concern ourselves with so technical a question, so long as we study the divine revelation as a whole. The Incarnate Christ was the God-man and His coming into the world, in so far as human interpretation is concerned, must ever be man's conception of Godhood and God's conception of manhood.

Jesus taught truth, but He spoke not in technical language. He put emphasis upon religion rather than upon theology. Without doubt he understood the philosophy of religion, but primarily He was not a philosopher. He was a divine philanthropist. He had no creeds nor rituals nor ecclesiasticisms to advocate. His constant appeal was—Follow Me and receive the gift of eternal life. But men must reduce the numerous phases of truth to a science. Even religious truth must be systematized. The doctrine of Jesus and the doctrines of Jesus must have clear and consistent statement, if faith is to have an intelligent basis. I question very much if the whole body of believers could be held to essential truth in the midst of error and conflict without definite creeds any more than a spirit of prayer could be maintained without forms of prayer and places of prayer. We **must** learn, however, to put the emphasis where Jesus put it. It is well to understand botany. It is better to appreciate the flowers. It is well to be a student of hygiene. It is better to enjoy health. It is well to know the technics of religion. It is better to live a divine life.

Jesus not only taught the truth, but He said—"I am the Truth." The truth is nothing, so to speak, until embodied in personality. Christ was a living exemplification of the truth and He spoke with authority. He who **has experiential knowledge** of the truth, has divine authority when properly attested to speak for God. Experience is the vital thing in religious life and it is always more convincing than any technical explanation of the experience. The Bible itself is the story of experience. The truth was felt and lived before there was a record of it. Holy men wrote the Sacred Word because God had given them something worth telling. Religion is life and life necessitates growth. The Bible is not only the record of a living experience, but of a growing experience. Truth is progressively revealed. In spiritual knowledge Saul of Kish is not to be compared to the converted Saul of Tarsus. And Paul in his early epistles was not as wise as Paul in his later epistles. Dogmas to-day may not be esteemed as highly as formerly. There is a growing conviction that Jesus transcends all attempts to explain his unexplainable personality. He cannot be limited by dogmatic definiteness and finality. Still dogmas are not to be rejected any more than the Old Testament is to be rejected because the New Testament is a fuller revelation of God's redeeming purpose. Dogmas must be preserved as historical evidences of the advancement of theological thought thru the ages. If there have been reconstructions in scientific beliefs, we ought not to be surprised at reconstructions in religious beliefs. Life is ever finding new modes of expression and theologians must take notice of the social, scientific and critical tendencies of the times even as they have dealt with the peculiar tendencies of other days. Every age sees truth from its own angle and reexpresses it in the thought and speech of that age. Theology must embody growing convictions. Henry Ward Beecher had the right idea when he said, "I am a Calvinist, i. e. I believe what Calvin would believe if he were living now." Theological concepts are not the decisions of a moment. The immediate preparation of this sermon was deferred until a week or two ago, but the sermon truth began to grow in my heart 20 years before the president of the conference made his formal request. We are "the heir of all the ages" as Tennyson has said. Every man is the product of the forces about him and the forces which have preceded him, save Jesus who might be called the Producer of the ages. He has brought a revelation which is to fill the eternities with ever-enlarging glories.

Growth in spiritual experience always means growth in the likeness of Christ. Jesus was a person as well as a personification of goodness. He lived not only for the truth, but in the truth. And the truth is always effective when there is a living example back of it to explain and enforce it. If the redemption of the individual and the sanctification of the individual's surroundings are to be secured, Christlike people must be set in the midst. And who of all people should be an object lesson of their teachings so much as those who in a peculiar sense speak in the name of God? No

minister can be efficient on Sundays whose life is deficient between Sundays. The sermon may be grammatical and epigrammatical. The appeal may be rhetorical and oratorical, but if there is no Christlike character back of the pulpit, the words become as "sounding brass and tinkling cymbal." The multitude is as quick to discern the worth of the messenger as the worthiness of the message. The minister must be impressed with his high calling. He must be more interested in vocation than vacation. If he does not take himself seriously, he can hardly expect other people to take him seriously. If his object is simply to please the people, he prostitutes his office. To please the people is very much like the administration of certain drugs. The quantity of amusement has to be increased to produce the same effect. The tendency is to go from bad to worse until at last in the throes of desperation, ministerial functions become almost a travesty upon religion. From the clown, the mountebank and even the flip-pant joker and gossip, we may well pray, "Good Lord, deliver us." The minister must be a Christ man and a Christ man not only in serious purpose but in consecrated endeavor. The story is told of Dr. A. J. Gordon, famed for his Christlike spirit and works and whose memory is honored by the people of Boston next to that of Phillips Brooks, that on a certain occasion he sat talking in the home of one of his members. A little child sat near, listening to every word, watching the glow upon the preacher's face, feeling the mystic influence of those privileged moments. When the minister was gone, the child looked up into mother's face and asked,— "Mother, was that Jesus?" The light which shines from the minister's face and personality must tell the story of a beaten track to the Holy of Holies. Spiritual life must be carefully and constantly nurtured, so that in the very atmosphere we create, little children, who of all classes of people have the truest insight into character, will say, "We have been with Jesus and have learned of Him." The primary purpose of the minister is not to cultivate scholarship, nor to visit the people during the week nor even to preach to them on Sunday. It is to live in his parish as a good man, making unselfish devotion to the Master's ideals, the exponent and expounder of the Kingdom.

The Good Life! The True Life!
It speaks when words are rant and rife;
Light shines from golden deeds,
And shows the world the best of creeds.

Multitudes will always hear with gladness when convinced by practical tests it is worth while to hear. Brethren of the ministry, we are to be examples to believers, "in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity." And in the integrity of this example will be found the secret and success of our high calling.

COLLECTIONS FOR GENERAL

Charge	President.		Conference.		Ministerial Ed'n		Seminary.		College.		Superannuates.		Church Exte'n.		Home Missions.		Foreign Miss'ns.		Church Home.	
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Alexandria, Va.....	12	6	3	2	2	...	6	6	9	9	16	2	22	2	9	9	10	3	6	6
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Alnutt Mem'l....	65	65	9	9	13	13	42	42	25	25	99	101	135	135	55	55	63	63	33	33
Bethany.....	10	10	3	3	2	2	6	6	11	11	16	16	22	22	9	9	10	10	5	5
Broadway.....	25	25	4	4	6	6	18	18	10	10	40	40	55	55	22	47	25	25	13	18
Brooklyn.....	20	20	3	3	4	4	12	12	8	8	28	28	40	40	16	16	18	18	10	10
Calvary.....	10	10	3	3	2	2	6	6	21	21	16	16	21	21	9	9	10	10	5	5
Christ Church...	12	12	2	2	3	3	8	8	23	23	19	19	30	30	11	41	12	12	6	6
East Baltimore..	45	45	7	7	9	9	28	28	11	11	66	66	90	90	38	38	42	42	23	23
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Evergreen.....	10	10	3	3	2	2	6	6	8	8	16	16	22	22	9	9	10	10	5	5
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Baltimore Circuit..	20	20	3	3	4	4	12	12	11	11	28	28	40	40	16	16	18	18	10	10
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Belair.....	27	25	4	4	5	5	16	16	10	10	39	39	51	51	21	29	24	24	13	17
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AND LOCAL INTERESTS

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91	106	21	1	1 129	525	525	100	61	42	471	354	1199	1682	Conquest, Va.
Crisfield:																
389	389	118	1	1 509	1200	1200	250	250	281	500	381	2481	3371	Crisfield
91	45	45	800	636	75	125	60	134	60	178	1090	1313	Lawsonia
158	51	51	700	700	84	127	98	217	102	46	1328	1425	Mariners
125	64	18	1	83	350	350	75	65	35	105	4	630	717	Crumpton
213	247	23	...	270	800	800	360	230	140	300	100	312	1930	2512	Cumberland
90	90	18	...	108	600	6 0	143	105	75	100	111	1023	1242	Cumberland Circ't

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	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid
Deer Creek	12	12	3	3	3	3	8	8	9	9	19	19	28	28	11	11	12	12	6	6
Deer Park	19	19	3	1	4	2	9	9	21	10	24	12	35	12	14	8	15	10	10	5
Delmar, Del.	19	19	3	3	4	4	9	9	13	13	24	24	35	35	14	14	15	15	10	10
Delta, Pa.	20	20	3	3	4	4	12	12	11	11	28	28	40	40	16	21	18	18	10	10
Denton	24	24	3	3	4	4	15	15	16	16	37	37	47	47	20	20	22	22	12	12
Dorchester	25	25	4	3	5	5	16	12	12	8	39	30	52	25	21	10	24	24	13	5
Dover, Del.	10	10	3	3	2	2	6	7	4	4	16	16	22	22	9	9	10	10	5	5
Easton	43	43	7	7	7	7	26	26	10	10	64	64	87	87	35	35	40	40	22	22
Elizabeth, N. J.	40	40	6	6	7	7	25	25	21	21	64	64	86	86	35	35	40	40	21	21
Fairfax, Va.	12	12	3	3	3	3	8	8	10	10	19	19	28	28	11	11	12	12	6	6
Fawn Grove, Pa. ...	22	22	4	2	5	4	14	12	20	10	32	30	44	35	15	11	20	15	11	9
Federalsburg.	12	12	3	3	3	3	8	8	8	8	19	19	28	28	11	11	12	12	6	6
Felton, Del.	12	12	3	1	3	1	8	2	9	1	19	5	28	5	11	2	12	12	6	3
Finksburg.	25	25	4	4	5	5	16	16	18	16	39	39	52	42	21	21	24	24	13	13
First Ch'h, Newark, N.J.	60	60	7	7	13	13	38	38	34	34	88	88	117	117	50	90	54	54	30	30
Franklin City, Va. ...	23	23	3	3	5	4	15	10	17	10	38	25	50	15	20	7	22	10	12	8
Frederica, Del.	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	...	2	2	6	6	1	1	1	1	1	1
Frederick.	22	22	4	4	5	5	14	14	22	22	34	34	47	47	19	22	21	22	11	18
Georgetown, Del. ...	20	5	3	1	4	2	12	5	11	5	28	10	40	20	16	10	18	10	10	5
Georgetown Circ't	12	8	3	...	3	...	8	2	11	...	19	...	28	...	11	...	12	2	6	...
Greensboro	10	10	3	1	2	1	6	4	2	1	16	9	22	9	9	5	10	7	5	3
Greenwood, Del. ...	22	22	4	4	5	5	14	14	16	15	34	34	47	24	19	19	22	22	11	11
Grove	15	15	2	1	2	2	10	5	13	3	24	...	31	...	14	...	14	8	...	...
Harbeson, Del.	10	10	3	3	2	2	6	6	12	12	16	16	22	22	9	9	10	10	5	5
Harpers Fy, W. Va. ...	18	18	3	3	4	...	10	10	9	...	25	8	35	...	15	...	17	7	9	7
Harrington, Del. ...	25	25	4	4	5	5	6	16	16	16	39	38	52	20	21	21	24	24	13	13
Howard	22	22	4	4	5	5	14	14	14	14	34	34	47	47	19	19	22	22	11	16
Hurlock	12	12	3	3	3	3	8	8	11	11	19	19	28	28	11	11	12	12	6	...
Indian River	5	5	1	...	2	...	4	7	3	2	9	...	14	1	5	...	6	8	3	...
Kemptown	30	30	5	5	9	9	23	23	22	22	47	48	64	64	21	21	30	30	15	15
Kennedyville.	16	16	3	3	4	4	10	10	5	5	22	22	31	31	12	12	15	15	8	8
Kent Island.	22	22	4	4	5	4	14	10	7	3	34	21	47	21	19	11	22	22	11	11
Laurel, Del.	32	32	7	7	7	7	21	21	17	17	49	49	64	68	28	28	29	29	16	16
Laurel Circuit.	25	25	4	3	5	3	16	6	15	5	39	15	52	15	21	12	24	...	13	1
Leeds	20	20	3	3	4	4	12	12	5	5	28	28	40	40	16	16	18	18	10	10
Leipsic	6	6	1	1	2	2	4	15	4	4	9	9	15	15	5	5	6	6	3	3
Lewes, Del.	8	8	1	1	2	2	4	4	7	7	9	9	15	15	5	5	6	6	4	4
Lewistown	8	8	1	1	2	2	4	4	10	1	9	9	15	2	5	5	6	2	4	4
Liberty	20	20	3	3	4	4	12	12	10	10	28	28	40	40	16	16	18	18	10	10
Lisbon	25	25	4	4	5	5	16	16	16	16	39	39	52	52	21	21	24	24	13	13
Lynchburg, Va.	25	25	4	4	5	5	16	16	12	...	39	39	52	52	21	8	24	20	13	13
Mardela	18	18	3	1	5	2	12	5	15	4	26	26	35	20	14	5	17	17	9	3
Marley	15	15	3	2	2	2	8	5	11	5	20	11	28	17	12	10	12	10	8	4
Middleway, W. Va. ...	10	10	3	1	2	...	6	6	2	...	16	...	22	...	9	...	...	...	5	1
Milford, Del.	18	18	3	3	4	4	10	10	16	16	25	25	37	37	14	14	17	17	9	9
Milton, Del.	17	17	3	2	4	3	10	10	9	8	24	24	32	30	14	13	16	14	9	9
Mt. Nebo.	18	18	3	3	4	4	12	12	8	8	25	25	37	37	15	15	16	16	9	9
New Church, Va. ...	18	18	3	3	4	4	10	10	14	5	25	10	36	10	15	10	17	17	9	5
Newmarket.	30	30	5	4	9	7	23	18	19	14	47	40	64	50	26	20	30	30	15	10

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	Paid	Unpaid					As'd	Paid									
111	111	15	1	1	128	420	420	75	73	75	170	270	813	1211	Deer Creek
154	88	8	1	1	98	480	462	75	60	69	381	.....	9	1047	1154	.....	Deer Park
146	146	31	1	1	179	800	810	150	281	100	450	931	51	2722	2952	.....	Delmar, Del.
162	167	35	.....	.....	202	700	727	200	223	70	232	72	148	1524	1674	.....	Delta, Pa.
200	200	60	.....	.....	260	1000	1000	200	244	230	287	.....	81	1961	2302	.....	Denton
211	147	20	1	1	169	650	675	150	50	60	240	.....	.....	1175	1344	.....	Dorchester
87	88	6	1	1	96	500	600	240	125	80	315	.....	141	1360	1597	.....	Dover, Del.
341	341	120	1	1	463	900	900	200	532	226	46	100	142	2004	2609	.....	Easton
343	343	34	.....	.....	379	1050	1050	500	1100	230	.....	500	487	3380	4246	.....	Elizabeth, N. J.
112	112	35	.....	.....	147	475	510	90	56	105	127	252	15	1140	1302	.....	Fairfax, Va.
187	150	50	.....	.....	200	700	700	100	165	100	.....	.....	33	1065	1298	.....	Fawn Grove, Pa.
110	110	45	.....	.....	155	700	700	150	132	62	.....	445	387	1489	2031	.....	Federalsburg
111	44	8	.....	.....	52	500	462	100	63	40	180	84	69	929	1050	.....	Felton, Del.
217	205	28	.....	.....	233	725	725	125	250	165	309	.....	30	1574	1837	.....	Finksburg
491	531	154	.....	.....	687	1650	1650	720	2133	1012	21867	1000	1381	28382	30450	.....	1st Church, Newark N.J.
205	115	50	1	1	167	600	600	80	155	21	265	.....	17	1310	1494	.....	Franklin City, Va.
16	16	.....	.....	.....	16	.....	.....	.....	20	.....	.....	.....	40	20	76	.....	Frederica, Del.
210	210	104	1	1	316	720	720	100	82	192	256	.....	45	1350	1711	.....	Frederick
162	73	.....	.....	.....	73	700	650	180	120	209	40	274	32	1473	1578	.....	Georgetown, Del.
113	12	14	.....	.....	26	400	230	..	15	14	.....	.....	.....	259	285	.....	Georgetown Circ't
85	50	.....	.....	.....	50	350	350	120	140	36	15	60	...	721	771	.....	Greensboro
194	170	46	.....	.....	216	650	650	100	175	148	175	.....	55	1248	1519	.....	Greenwood, Del.
133	34	18	.....	.....	52	450	415	60	40	95	50	.....	.....	660	720	.....	Grove
95	95	6	.....	.....	101	600	600	75	76	66	55	.....	19	872	992	.....	Harbeson, Del.
145	53	.....	.....	.....	53	400	400	...	123	31	500	.....	33	1054	1140	.....	Harpers Fy, W. Va.
205	182	9	2	1	194	800	800	167	322	120	40	.....	42	1449	1685	.....	Harrington, Del.
192	197	90	1	1	289	700	715	125	100	40	700	.....	315	1680	2284	.....	Howard
113	113	6	20	.....	133	650	660	120	150	63	25	500	154	1518	1805	.....	Hurlock
52	23	.....	.....	.....	23	100	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8	100	131	.....	Indian River
271	266	.....	.....	.....	376	800	900	60	200	155	75	.....	89	1390	1855	.....	Kempton
126	126	18	.....	.....	144	500	110	20	55	33	275	.....	2	983	1129	.....	Kennedyville
185	128	20	2	.....	150	500	500	125	91	46	350	.....	2	1145	1297	.....	Kent Island
247	274	37	1	1	313	900	1000	150	200	150	25	13000	.....	14525	14838	.....	Laurel, Del.
214	85	13	1	.....	99	650	657	125	65	38	202	.....	.....	1087	1186	.....	Laurel Circuit
156	156	30	1	1	188	630	630	100	217	63	.....	125	208	1135	1531	.....	Leeds
55	66	6	.....	.....	72	300	300	60	90	32	260	.....	32	742	846	.....	Leipsic
61	61	5	.....	.....	66	550	550	84	125	50	.....	325	27	1134	1227	.....	Lewes, Del.
64	38	23	.....	.....	61	275	280	55	27	32	30	.....	35	424	520	.....	Lewistown
161	161	29	.....	.....	190	500	500	75	130	40	.....	.....	30	745	965	.....	Liberty
215	215	60	1	1	277	900	900	150	115	70	175	730	51	2140	2468	.....	Lisbon
211	182	169	.....	.....	351	1000	1000	300	400	140	275	975	325	3090	3766	.....	Lynchburg, Va.
154	101	5	.....	.....	106	650	650	100	130	128	1100	.....	34	2108	2248	.....	Mardela
119	81	.....	.....	.....	81	650	650	120	75	25	85	.....	.....	955	1036	.....	Marley
85	18	.....	.....	.....	18	117	117	50	15	25	31	.....	.....	238	256	.....	Middleway, W. Va.
153	153	10	.....	.....	163	1200	1200	225	500	300	10000	.....	141	12225	12529	.....	Milford, Del.
138	180	5	.....	.....	135	600	600	75	132	120	125	.....	249	1052	1436	.....	Milton, Del.
147	147	11	1	1	160	600	600	96	100	90	.....	150	110	1036	1306	.....	Mt. Nebo
151	92	74	1	1	168	600	600	125	75	160	15	150	32	1125	1325	New Church, Va.
265	223	15	1	1	240	800	730	120	260	170	220	20	1500	1760	Newmarket

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	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid	Ass'd	Paid
Nichols Memorial	6	6	1	1	2	2	4	4	5	5	9	9	15	15	5	5	6	6	3	3
Northumber'd, Va.	28	28	5	5	6	6	19	19	6	6	44	44	62	62	24	24	28	28	14	14
Oak Grove.....	13	13	2	2	3	3	9	9	4	...	21	10	29	10	12	4	13	4	7	2
Oxford	22	22	4	4	5	5	14	14	11	11	34	34	47	47	19	43	22	22	11	11
Parksley, Va	24	24	4	4	5	5	15	15	23	23	36	36	50	50	19	19	21	21	12	12
Patapsco .....	...	2	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	3	...	...	...	...	...
Philadelphia, Pa.																				
St. Lukes	20	25	3	4	4	5	12	16	5	15	28	39	40	52	16	21	18	24	10	13
Taylor Memorial	12	12	3	3	3	3	8	8	10	...	19	14	23	20	11	21	12	12	6	2
Pipe Creek.....	22	22	4	4	5	5	14	14	11	11	34	34	47	47	19	19	22	22	11	11
Pittsville	20	20	3	3	4	4	12	12	20	20	23	23	40	40	16	16	18	18	10	10
Pocomoke Cir	18	18	3	2	4	2	10	2	12	2	25	2	35	2	15	2	17	8	9	1
Pocomoke City	43	43	4	4	7	7	26	26	12	12	64	64	86	86	35	35	40	40	22	22
Potomac, Va.....	18	18	3	3	3	3	10	10	15	15	24	24	36	36	14	14	16	16	9	9
Powellville.. ..	15	15	3	1	2	1	10	5	5	2	24	20	32	25	14	10	14	10	8	1
Prince George.....	8	6	1	1	2	1	4	1	6	1	9	1	15	1	5	2	6	2	4	4
Quantico	14	14	2	2	2	2	8	8	2	2	22	6	30	7	12	6	12	5	7	4
Queen Anne.....	13	13	2	2	3	3	10	10	8	8	21	21	29	29	12	12	13	13	7	7
Reliance	18	18	3	3	4	4	10	10	18	18	25	25	35	35	15	26	17	17	9	9
Rowlandville.....	15	15	3	3	2	2	10	5	10	5	24	20	32	22	14	10	14	10	8	8
Salem.....	15	15	3	3	2	2	10	10	4	4	24	24	32	32	14	14	14	14	8	8
Salisbury.....	37	37	5	5	9	9	23	23	27	27	52	52	73	73	29	29	38	38	19	19
Seaford, Del	26	26	4	4	5	5	18	18	17	17	41	41	57	57	22	22	25	25	13	13
Selbyville, Del.....	10	10	3	3	2	2	6	6	15	6	16	10	22	8	9	9	10	10	5	5
Sharptown... ..	23	23	3	3	6	6	15	15	19	19	30	30	44	44	18	18	20	20	12	12
Snow Hill.....	22	22	4	3	5	4	14	11	14	11	34	26	47	37	19	14	22	17	11	5
Stewartstown, Pa..	25	25	4	4	5	5	16	16	12	12	39	39	52	52	21	21	24	24	13	13
St. James.....	27	27	4	4	5	5	19	19	9	9	42	42	58	58	22	22	26	26	14	15
St. Michaels.....	25	20	4	3	5	4	16	12	15	11	39	28	52	40	21	16	24	18	13	20
Susquehanna.....	25	25	4	3	5	4	16	16	10	10	39	39	52	51	21	21	24	24	13	12
Talbot	12	12	2	...	3	2	8	2	5	...	19	...	27	...	11	...	12	...	6	1
Tri-ity	27	27	4	4	5	5	19	19	8	8	42	42	58	58	22	22	26	26	14	14
Union.....	16	16	4	4	5	3	11	6	19	9	24	10	33	11	14	10	15	10	8	2
Union Bridge.....	18	18	3	3	4	4	10	10	9	9	25	25	35	7	15	15	17	17	9	9
Wallace Mem., Va	8	8	1	1	2	2	4	4	10	10	9	9	15	15	5	5	6	6	4	4
Waltersville	22	22	3	2	4	4	14	14	13	13	34	15	45	20	19	5	21	15	11	5
Warwick	20	20	3	3	4	3	12	10	9	5	28	16	40	20	16	10	18	18	10	10
Washington, D. C.																				
Cherrydale.....	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	7	7	2	2	6	6	1	1	1	1	1	1
First Church.....	25	25	4	4	5	5	16	16	18	18	39	39	52	52	21	21	24	24	13	13
Georgetown	55	55	7	7	10	10	35	35	8	8	84	84	113	113	48	48	52	52	28	28
Mt. Pleasant.....	5	5	1	1	2	2	4	4	5	5	9	9	14	14	5	5	6	6	3	3
Mt. Tabor	22	22	4	2	5	3	14	14	5	5	34	10	47	15	19	9	22	12	11	11
N. Carolina Ave..	25	25	4	4	5	5	16	16	12	12	39	39	53	53	21	81	24	24	13	13
Rhode Isl'd Ave.	80	80	12	12	17	17	49	49	28	28	111	111	167	167	56	56	88	88	40	40
Westminster.....	55	55	7	7	12	12	36	36	11	11	86	86	116	116	49	49	54	54	28	28
Wilmington, Del...	18	3	3	...	4	...	10	...	3	...	25	...	35	...	15	...	17	...	9	...
W. Wilming'n, Del.	10	10	3	3	2	2	6	6	8	8	16	16	22	22	9	9	10	10	5	5
Williamsport	10	10	3	3	2	2	6	6	12	12	16	16	22	22	9	9	10	10	5	5
Whaleyville	6	6	1	1	2	2	4	4	20	20	9	9	15	15	5	5	6	11	3	5
Wye	12	12	2	2	3	3	8	8	6	6	19	19	27	27	11	11	12	12	6	6

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						Ass'd	Paid									
56	56	56	500	500	120	75	50	2948	100	57	3793	3906Nichols Mem'l
236	236	25	1	1	263	800	850	100	195	104	199	68	1448	1779	Northumber'd, Va.
113	54	32	..	...	86	375	350	85	52	43	95	400	8	1025	1119	.....Oak Grove
189	213	139	2	2	356	600	650	150	110	140	500	.....	15	1550	1921	.....Oxford
209	209	53	1	1	264	1000	1000	180	130	440	.....	1600	5	3350	3619	.....Parksley, Va.
....	7	1	...	...	8	.....	125	.....	9	55	.....	50	60	239	307	.....Patapsco
																..Philadelphia, Pa.
214	214	24	...	...	238	1000	1000	500	2054	531	400	.....	36	4485	4759	.....St. Lukes
107	95	.....	...	...	95	600	600	.....	850	200	600	300	30	2550	2675	..Taylor Memorial
189	189	107	1	1	298	600	600	100	280	93	47	.....	56	1120	1474	.....Pipe Creek
171	171	.....	1	1	173	700	700	250	95	268	90	.....	244	1403	1820	.....Pittsville
148	41	12	...	...	53	600	600	30	25	36	890	.....	10	1581	1644	Pocomoke Circuit
339	339	85	1	1	426	1000	1000	210	256	195	350	.....	120	2049	2595	...Pocomoke City
148	148	44	...	...	192	800	800	100	211	252	585	.....	83	1948	2223	.....Potomac, Va.
127	90	10	...	...	100	450	500	75	38	50	250	.....	.....	913	1013	.....Powellville
60	20	20	...	...	40	275	248	.....	25	35	52	.....	6	360	406	.....Prince George
111	56	4	...	...	60	281	281	55	10	25	.....	.....	2	371	433	.....Quantico
118	118	10	1	...	129	550	550	84	113	48	150	115	12	1060	1201	.....Queen Anne
154	165	28	1	1	195	600	539	100	200	100	50	490	44	1479	1718	.....Reliance
132	100	15	...	...	115	600	600	60	80	100	100	.....	45	940	1100	.....Rowlandville
126	126	17	...	...	143	500	500	100	168	20	29	216	7	1033	1183	.....Salem
312	312	90	1	1	404	1100	1100	500	858	532	.....	240	206	3230	3840	.....Salisbury
228	228	113	5	1	347	800	800	125	312	175	163	.....	181	1575	2103	.....Seaford, Del.
98	69	10	...	...	79	700	601	96	.....	.....	150	960	.....	1807	1886	...Selbyville, Del.
190	190	78	1	1	290	800	800	75	131	210	200	.....	191	1416	1877	.....Sharptown
192	150	50	...	...	200	900	900	200	210	100	3300	.....	843	4711	5754	.....Snow Hill
211	211	50	1	1	263	750	750	150	200	140	600	.....	136	1840	2239	Stewartstown, Pa.
226	227	24	1	1	253	650	650	120	105	35	.....	.....	93	910	1256	.....St. James
156	162	25	...	...	187	700	700	100	350	140	25	450	20	1765	2152	.....St. Michaels
209	205	53	1	1	260	720	720	200	100	135	325	40	187	1520	1967	.....Susquehanna
105	17	10	...	...	27	123	123	.....	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	143	170	.....Talbot
225	225	25	1	...	251	850	850	250	130	50	187	116	167	1574	1995	.....Trinity
149	81	20	...	...	101	750	750	200	100	130	325	.....	45	1505	1651	.....Union
145	117	17	...	...	174	500	550	144	78	27	62	.....	101	861	1136	.....Union Bridge
64	64	66	1	1	132	600	600	125	65	84	86	161	87	1121	1340	Wallace Mem., Va.
186	115	20	...	...	135	650	650	200	200	75	250	.....	187	1375	2297	.....Waltersville
160	115	9	...	...	124	600	600	75	166	70	210	.....	48	1221	1293	.....Warwick
																Washington, D. C.
23	23	13	...	...	36	400	400	.....	85	150	.....	1347	26	1982	2044	.....Cherrydale
217	217	21	...	...	238	1000	1000	600	575	300	100	500	200	3075	3513	First Church, Wash
440	440	95	3	2	540	1200	1200	400	755	110	.....	.....	715	2465	3720	.....Georgetown
54	54	6	...	...	60	300	300	...	135	102	26	200	840	763	1663	.....Mt. Pleasant
183	103	21	...	...	124	800	800	.....	350	100	5500	.....	287	6750	7161	.....Mt. Tabor
212	272	77	...	...	349	1440	1440	.....	550	229	221	300	67	2700	3116	N. Carolina Avenue
648	648	375	1	1	1025	1800	1800	486	1132	613	.....	1000	2055	5031	8111	Rhode Island Ave
454	454	700	1	1	1156	1000	1000	.....	333	119	45	.....	165	1497	2818	.....Westminster
139	3	.....	...	...	3	.....	.....	.....	250	70	20	.....	79	340	422	..Wilmington, Del.
91	91	.....	1	1	93	800	800	.....	172	70	275	200	10	1517	1620	W. Wilmington "
95	95	31	...	...	126	425	404	.....	36	60	65	.....	75	565	766	.....Williamsport
71	78	40	118	800	800	90	39	91	67	500	44	1587	1749Whaleyville
106	106	15	2	1	124	400	400	120	80	48	350	72	998	1184Wye

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Accomac, Va.....	22	303	21	13	...	10	1	25	12	...	8	10	1	34	3	30	10	320	1	313	
Alexandria, Va.....	...	124	4	2	...	1	3	1	14	62	160	1	35	1	40	
Amelia, Va.....	1	135	3	3	...	...	...	4	3	...	2	3	1	6	2	10	10	135	1	15	...	...
Baltimore:																							
Alnutt Mem'l	2	558	...	...	...	...	...	80	30	...	...	...	10	90	1	40	35	465	1	75	1	80
Bethany.....	...	103	...	4	...	2	...	5	6	17	1	1	15	...	1	14	50	220	1	20	...	...
Broadway.....	...	173	...	...	...	...	...	15	5	7	1	1	15	13	1	19	14	161	1	28	1	32
Brooklyn.....	14	107	19	5	...	...	...	13	...	...	...	...	6	20	1	17	5	100	1	20	1	85
Calvary.....	233	184	...	...	...	...	...	8	...	12	3	...	16	8	1	27	100	360	1	53	1	60
Christ Church	3	7	232	...	1	...	2	36	7	10	1	1	25	35	1	30	100	525	1	75	1	75	
E. Baltimore..	10	263	...	...	...	...	...	10	3	...	3	3	8	...	1	20	20	197	1	45	1	15
Eutaw.....	1	111	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	2	1	1	2	1	14	25	105	1	40	...	...
Evergreen.....	1	107	2	5	...	...	...	19	5	...	...	1	9	8	1	15	22	136	1	45	1	60
Hampden.....	330	377	23	17	...	17	...	22	6	44	5	4	19	15	1	34	29	366	1	50	1	85	
Keen Mem.....	3	10	151	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	36	3	1	20	20	190	1	60	...	...
Lauraville.....	1	72	1	...	...	...	...	1	4	5	...	...	2	3	1	16	17	118	1	17	1	17
N. Baltimore...	1	10	170	1	...	...	...	7	10	...	3	...	2	...	1	16	10	115	1	30	...	...
Payson Street	...	76	2	1	...	1	...	6	...	...	1	...	7	2	1	18	5	165	...	...	1	30
S. Baltimore...	2	9	173	5	8	...	14	...	27	2	1	5	3	7	54	1	27	30	175	1	35	1	32
Starr.....	1	6	240	...	2	...	4	...	70	8	14	6	...	22	8	1	20	...	130	1	20
St. Johns.....	2	19	236	29	13	...	...	25	7	2	2	2	7	25	1	27	67	285	1	52	1	40
St. Pauls.....	...	5	37	5	...	...	...	17	...	...	...	...	9	18	1	8	28	110	1	17	1	12
Violetville.....	...	109	1	...	18	1	5	1	21	4	143	1	50	1	25
Waverly.....	4	71	26	19	...	3	...	21	4	13	...	...	11	32	1	15	45	156	1	48	1	40
W. Baltimore..	1	11	425	7	...	...	...	37	22	2	9	2	12	14	1	33	99	276	1	52	1	35
Wilton He'hts	...	19	90	19	...	...	...	30	...	...	2	1	12	16	1	21	107	269	1	36	1	37
Baltimore Ct.....	1	...	203	4	3	...	1	3	...	...	1	...	21	4	3	37	10	200	2	75	...	...
Bedford, Pa.....	11	333	6	6	...	1	...	7	2	61	10	1	13	12	6	45	7	256	...	...	...	...
Belair.....	9	218	2	2	...	...	...	8	1	11	1	...	18	2	4	39	27	134	1	16	...	...
Buckeystown.....	1	...	92	...	...	...	...	15	3	...	1	...	7	14	2	40	34	259	1	90	2	82
Cambridge.....	1	16	215	4	1	...	46	16	...	...	2	1	84	12	3	40	50	300	...	...	...	...
Campbell, Va....	...	125	...	...	...	...	...	3	3	26	2	3	...	35	3	23	...	150	2	80	...	...
Cannon, Del.....	...	101	...	...	...	2	...	6	5	...	1	...	2	7	1	19	13	128	1	48	1	49
Caroline.....	32	178	11	15	...	...	...	22	4	...	2	2	23	18	4	47	75	227	2	30	...	...
Cecil.....	...	255	...	...	...	...	...	43	...	35	3	19	4	48	4	41	84	292	1	40	1	24
Centreville.....	1	...	118	...	...	...	...	3	6	...	1	...	6	1	1	16	7	76	1	18	1	33
Chesapeake.....	...	134	11	11	...	...	...	13	...	...	...	1	8	11	3	24	20	150	1	30	...	...
Chestertown.....	...	235	...	...	...	...	...	13	5	3	...	3	16	5	1	35	21	290	1	40	2	50
Chincoteag', Va..	34	102	5	20	...	8	...	20	...	...	3	...	...	3	1	18	20	140	1	35	1	30
Clayton, Del.....	...	159	...	...	...	...	...	10	...	...	...	...	12	6	3	25	40	190	...	...	...	...
Concord, Pa.....	2	285	...	1	...	...	...	16	2	...	4	10	9	20	3	36	10	160	2	72	...	...
Conquest, Va....	...	145	...	...	...	...	...	33	...	...	...	10	11	45	2	26	...	130	...	...	1	35
Crisfield:																							
Crisfield.....	1	17	403	8	...	41	...	18	3	...	3	8	33	18	1	44	51	786	1	62	1	86	
Lawsonia.....	16	73	10	...	1	...	...	1	2	56	9	...	16	50	1	12	...	108	...	...	...	...
Mariners.....	44	182	3	6	1	11	3	1	3	4	1	17	59	162	
Crumpton.....	...	72	1	...	1	...	5	2	10	...	80	
Cumberland.....	...	257	23	...	1	2	...	22	6	1	24	38	217	1	46	1	35	

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Cumberland Ct.	4	152	4	1	10	13	18	3	27	45	200	1	24	1	36	
Deer Creek.....	...	145	3	3	5	4	...	1	4	3	2	23	20	179	2	38	
Deer Park.....	4	272	4	12	...	3	...	1	2	...	2	17	4	4	43	12	383	2	65	...	...
Delmar, Del....	1	6	174	...	...	...	...	2	1	3	3	14	2	1	20	20	250	1	35	1	25	
Delta, Pa.....	...	228	...	...	...	...	...	69	5	1	1	3	13	57	1	25	40	224	1	68	1	68
Denton	1	148	...	...	...	...	...	4	1	...	3	6	5	1	15	100	362	1	55	1	45	
Dorchester .....	...	231	...	...	...	30	...	3	10	45	...	1	3	2	23	...	175	...	...	...	...
Dover, Del.....	...	70	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	1	10	14	80	1	25	...	...
Easton	5	187	...	...	...	1	...	10	5	1	4	1	10	4	1	20	23	160	...	...	...
Elizabeth, N. J. ....	...	240	...	...	...	...	...	7	2	7	3	1	16	3	1	32	50	350	1	43	...	...
Fairfax, Va.....	3	166	1	1	...	...	...	10	1	...	4	2	...	10	4	35	6	166	2	45	...	...
Fawn Grove, Pa. ....	...	318	...	...	...	...	...	13	4	...	...	9	14	2	25	20	224	2	100	1	38	
Federalsburg. ...	13	97	6	...	...	...	...	12	...	...	4	1	7	27	1	18	...	145	1	35	1	30
Felton, Del.....	3	125	1	1	...	...	...	1	2	...	2	...	6	3	3	20	3	148	...	...	...	...
Finksburg.....	...	451	33	33	...	...	...	33	9	4	2	...	12	44	4	55	27	320	4	140	...	...
First Ch. Newark, N.J.	1	19	335	15	16	...	...	67	8	15	5	12	9	27	1	64	127	663	1	71	1	63
Franklin C'y, Va ...	7	227	7	...	...	...	...	2	1	...	4	3	6	17	4	50	60	350	2	169	1	45
Frederica, Del... ..	2	40	2	...	...	...	...	40	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Frederick.....	...	229	4	4	...	...	...	4	1	...	1	...	8	4	4	63	40	456	...	...	...	...
Georgeto'n, Del. 1	8	173	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	30	2	...	1	3	1	18	15	184	1	46	1	48
Georgeto'n Cir. ...	6	147	2	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	1	13	...	3	16	...	90	...	...	...	...	...
Greensboro.....	...	33	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16	...	1	5	12	45	...	...	...	...	...
Greenwood, Del. ...	...	238	10	10	...	...	...	14	4	...	...	...	...	3	8	3	290	1	22	1	30	
Grove	40	130	...	...	...	20	...	1	1	...	3	...	1	...	4	54	15	206	...	...	...	...
Harbeson, Del... ..	10	155	13	10	...	...	...	10	1	...	1	...	10	22	3	37	16	226	1	20	...	...
Harper's F'y, W. Va	4	70	4	7	11	...	...	5	...	...	...	10	7	2	19	20	100	...	...	...	...	...
Harrington, Del ...	...	221	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	2	...	6	...	1	17	44	216	1	58	1	27
Howard	29	222	29	28	...	...	...	32	1	2	4	4	16	30	4	33	15	265	3	50	...	...
Hurlock	21	123	17	...	...	...	...	22	7	3	2	...	26	35	2	20	150	2	30	2	35	
Indian River.....	...	48	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	8	8	1	7	20	80	...	...	...	...	...
Kempton.....	2	17	516	15	...	...	...	10	2	...	5	...	25	35	5	58	89	475	1	25	...	...
Kennedyville....	16	102	1	...	...	...	...	2	6	...	...	3	1	1	12	6	80	...	...	1	30	
Kent Island.....	...	130	2	2	...	...	...	6	...	35	8	...	6	2	2	16	8	90	...	...	...	...
Laurel, Del .....	...	259	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	...	1	...	10	1	1	26	10	205	...	...	...	...
Laurel Circuit ...	1	30	176	...	2	...	...	3	1	59	3	...	3	1	4	41	36	253	...	...	...	...
Leeds.....	...	164	...	...	...	8	1	9	4	10	4	3	2	2	2	16	15	100	1	30	...	...
Leipsic, Del.....	...	102	...	...	...	...	...	53	...	11	...	...	91	1	12	30	90	1	30	...	...
Lewes, Del.....	9	98	1	3	...	11	...	8	2	15	...	...	23	9	1	16	15	100	1	22	1	15
Lewistown	38	127	...	3	1	...	...	37	...	...	3	2	27	73	2	18	28	188	2	100	1	31
Liberty .....	...	197	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	4	...	5	...	3	27	30	180	2	70	1	36
Lisbon	6	351	6	6	5	...	4	9	5	...	5	3	10	14	5	51	...	320	2	35	...	...
Lynchburg, Va... ..	...	203	...	...	...	...	...	22	2	54	3	6	2	19	2	24	41	210	2	79	1	19
Mardela.....	...	309	...	...	...	...	...	10	2	5	5	1	3	4	4	42	30	270	1	40	1	35
Marley.....	1	11	184	...	10	...	14	14	...	...	1	1	14	10	3	27	14	200	1	23	1	14
Middleway, W. Va. ...	3	60	4	...	...	...	...	1	1	4	3	...	2	4	1	7	...	36	...	...	...	...
Milford, Del.....	125	432	100	300	...	25	1	29	2	...	1	10	10	151	2	35	150	400	2	175	1	65
Milton, Del.....	2	145	7	9	9	2	...	3	...	13	25	1	16	11	127	1	25	1	25
Mt. Nebo.....	13	204	13	6	6	20	2	4	28	26	3	26	15	170	2	30

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New Church, Va	...	216	13	12	12	4	50	3	9	1	28	3	35	56	244
Newmarket	1	325	3	1	...	2	...	1	4	34	5	1	3	6	4	44	10	325	2	62
Nichols Memo'l	...	33	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	8	...	3	9	30	80	...	...	...	...
Northumb'ld Va.	...	468	10	10	...	...	...	13	1	...	3	...	...	16	3	20	...	100	1	35	...	...
Oak Grove	4	140	4	...	...	...	...	2	3	16	6	...	...	4	1	13	10	75	...	...	...	...
Oxford	9	170	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	4	1	...	4	...	1	24	13	225	1	33	...	...
Parksley, Va	12	286	...	2	...	...	...	7	...	...	2	...	10	7	2	41	40	450	1	25	1	39
Patapsco	...	40	...	1	...	...	...	13	...	...	...	...	6	22	1	14	5	58	1	57	...	...
Philadelphia:																						
St. Lukes	1	15	200	15	6	...	...	8	4	1	2	3	14	15	1	33	45	325	1	55	...	...
Taylor Mem'l.	1	10	120	14	14	...	...	14	14	4	6	...	20	18	2	34	230	350	2	102	1	40
Pipe Creek	...	210	...	...	...	...	...	4	2	17	2	...	3	4	2	10	6	103	2	...	...	...
Pittsville	1	410	25	25	...	...	...	40	1	15	3	1	20	25	3	53	20	373	2	50	...	...
Pocomoke City	...	2	311	9	7	...	...	2	3	5	3	...	2	...	2	21	35	247	...	...	1	60
Pocomoke Circ't	3	11	282	17	2	...	...	3	1	20	7	...	...	17	3	35	3	46	...	...	...	...
Potomac, Va	...	8	162	4	3	...	2	10	...	...	5	...	11	11	2	36	50	254	1	107	...	...
Powellville	...	183	50	50	...	...	...	4	1	...	1	14	75	65	3	12	...	75	...	...	...	...
Prince George	...	142	...	...	...	...	...	1	2	6	2	...	...	2	2	11	5	100	1	43	...	...
Quantico	...	4	81	...	2	...	1	2	...	...	2	2	4	1	2	14	38	69	...	...	...	...
Queen Anne	10	87	3	...	...	...	...	8	1	10	3	1	10	19	2	21	8	95	2	40	...	...
Reliance	16	240	...	...	2	...	...	7	...	...	2	2	18	...	3	32	16	290	2	50	...	...
Rowlandville	10	170	10	2	...	12	...	2	...	...	1	12	...	18	3	25	10	178	1	20	...	...
Salem	...	101	...	...	...	...	...	3	...	...	2	...	...	3	1	14	...	75	1	20	...	...
Salisbury	...	7	357	15	34	...	4	...	35	3	...	2	...	14	2	1	30	106	527	1	115	1 72
Seaford, Del	...	300	13	13	...	...	...	20	4	28	4	2	4	32	1	19	18	337	1	75	2	77
Selbyville, Del	1	252	...	...	...	...	...	48	...	...	...	4	27	70	3	25	...	260	1	65	...	...
Sharptown	...	270	...	...	...	...	...	42	...	1	4	...	6	90	2	40	17	364	2	94	1	49
Snow Hill	20	335	...	...	...	...	...	1	6	15	7	1	4	...	2	40	35	185	1	45	1	50
Stewartstown Pa	2	248	...	...	...	...	...	31	2	...	1	8	8	33	2	43	37	249	2	70	2	40
St. James	...	187	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	1	...	6	1	2	20	...	160	1	20	...	...
St. Michaels	1	6	172	17	11	...	...	12	1	...	2	...	12	3	3	30	20	210	2	80	...	...
Susquehanna	1	249	12	12	1	...	...	12	...	...	4	...	20	12	3	30	4	171	1	30	...	...
Talbot	...	55	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	20	...	77	...	...	...	...
Trinity	...	1	264	1	5	...	...	5	2	...	1	...	3	9	2	18	5	140	...	...	...	...
Union	2	66	240	52	...	...	...	3	2	10	...	1	26	70	4	40	15	340	...	...	1	25
Union Bridge	...	1	80	...	5	...	...	8	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	14	...	58	1	53	...	...
Wallace Me Va.	...	4	86	...	...	2	...	2	1	9	...	...	2	2	1	23	2	174	1	52	...	...
Waltersville	...	190	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	2	2	30	30	250	...	...	...	...
Warwick	...	226	20	20	...	...	...	24	...	32	1	...	14	21	3	21	16	114	1	27	...	...
Washington:																						
Cherrydale	...	40	6	6	...	...	...	11	...	...	...	...	8	14	1	14	18	148	1	69	...	...
First Church	1	260	...	...	...	...	...	35	4	...	1	3	40	15	1	33	98	300	1	35	1	35
Georgetown	...	3	228	3	15	...	...	...	5	...	1	...	7	3	1	16	6	110	1	45	1	23
Mt. Pleasant	...	44	...	...	...	...	...	7	7	...	...	3	4	...	1	12	22	104	...	...	1	19
Mt. Tabor	...	70	...	...	...	...	...	1	1	20	3	...	10	...	1	13	10	100	1	25	...	...
N. C. Avenue	1	239	...	...	...	...	...	8	6	14	2	...	3	2	1	24	20	320	1	27	1	20
R. I. Avenue	...	4	529	16	16	...	...	20	36	...	6	1	11	16	1	48	...	484	1	91	1	20
Westminster	3	336	4	23	...	...	...	28	...	...	1	...	3	...	1	20	69	178	1	92	...	...
Wilmington, Del	1	50	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	...	...	1	9	30	60	...	...	...	...
W. Wilming'n, Del	1	6	64	1	1	...	...	4	2	22	...	1	14	2	1	12	15	125	...	...	...	...
Williamsport	...	33	89	...	...	...	...	4	1	4	2	...	2	2	1	19	...	140	1	15	...	...
Whaleyville	1	8	249	8	...	...	...	5	...	...	...	3	9	21	2	25	35	406	1	25	1	40
Wye	...	129	...	...	...	...	...	6	2	3	2	...	9	...	2	10	6	93	1	24	1	30

PROPERTY AND ASSESSMENTS

CHARGE	PROPERTY.								ASSESSMENTS 1912-13										
	Appointments.	Churches.	Parsonages.	Value of Church Property.	Value of Parsonage Property.	Debt on Church and Parsonage.	Insurance on Church and Parsonage Property.	Church Papers Taken.	President.	Conference.	Ministerial Education.	Seminary.	College.	Superannuates.	Church Extension.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Church Home	Total.
Accomac, Va...	3	3	1	8100	1500	1300	4300	17	24	4	6	16	18	36	47	19	25	12	207
Alexandria, Va..	1	1	1	17300	3000	1750	8000	...	12	3	2	6	9	16	22	9	10	6	98
Amelia, Va.....	3	3	1	2000	1000	.....	1800	14	10	2	2	6	7	15	21	9	10	5	87
Baltimore:	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Alnutt Mem'l	1	1	1	55000	6000	.....	24000	20	65	9	13	42	25	99	135	55	63	33	539
Bethany	1	1	...	5000	.....	70	3000	2	0	3	2	6	12	16	22	9	10	5	95
Broadway	1	1	1	40000	6000	1000	10000	8	25	4	6	18	9	40	55	22	25	13	217
Brooklyn.....	1	1	1	10000	1000	.....	5750	9	20	3	4	12	6	28	40	16	18	10	157
Calvary.....	1	1	...	13500	.....	4640	6000	4	10	3	2	6	19	16	21	9	10	5	101
Christ Church	1	1	...	30000	300	15000	15500	8	18	3	4	10	28	25	35	15	16	9	163
E. Baltimore.	1	1	1	25000	2000	.....	6000	12	45	7	9	28	11	66	90	38	42	23	359
Eutaw	1	1	1	20000	4000	7400	12700	12	19	3	4	9	6	24	35	14	15	10	139
Evergreen ...	1	1	1	6000	.....	1290	5000	..	10	3	2	6	8	16	22	9	10	5	91
Hampden	1	1	1	17000	1500	.....	12650	18	40	7	8	24	20	59	81	32	40	20	331
Keen Mem'l..	1	1	1	15000	4000	2700	6000	2	18	3	4	10	11	25	35	15	17	9	147
Lauraville ...	1	1	...	5600	.....	2000	3600	1	5	1	2	4	7	9	14	5	6	3	56
N. Baltim'e...	1	1	1	36000	6000	6800	25500	18	40	5	8	27	7	52	72	29	37	20	297
Payson Street	1	1	...	1500	.....	1500	.....	2	10	3	2	6	9	17	24	9	10	5	95
So. Baltimore	1	1	1	21000	2000	100	3500	11	20	3	4	12	10	28	40	16	18	10	161
Starr	1	2	2	91000	14000	24500	28500	12	66	9	13	42	8	99	134	55	63	33	522
St. Johns	1	1	1	85000	7500	7000	32333	22	66	9	13	42	16	94	132	54	60	33	519
St. Paul's	1	1	...	4000	.....	.....	800	1	5	1	1	1	6	4	6	3	3	2	32
Violetville....	1	1	1	1200	2500	1800	2500	5	8	1	2	4	8	9	15	5	6	4	62
Waverly.....	1	1	1	2000	1830	.....	2200	1	10	3	2	6	9	16	22	9	10	5	92
W. Baltimore	1	1	1	37500	1500	6000	20000	76	65	9	13	42	15	99	134	55	63	33	528
Wilton Heights	1	1	...	8500	.....	2500	7000	3	8	1	2	2	15	7	12	4	5	2	58
Batimore Ct....	3	3	1	17000	4000	2000	12700	7	20	3	4	12	12	28	40	16	18	10	163
Bedford, Pa.....	6	6	1	10000	1000	.....	1900	24	28	5	6	19	15	44	62	24	28	14	245
Belair	4	4	1	18000	7000	.....	10000	18	25	4	5	16	9	39	51	21	24	13	207
Buckeystown ...	1	2	1	22000	4500	.....	13800	22	60	9	13	38	15	9	124	52	58	30	489
Cambridge	3	3	1	7000	2500	100	4500	...	30	5	6	20	17	47	66	26	30	15	262
Campbell, Va...	3	3	1	2500	1500	700	1200	...	10	3	2	6	9	16	2	9	10	5	91
Cannon, Del....	1	1	1	2000	1900	700	2600	3	8	1	2	4	7	9	14	5	6	4	60
Caroline	4	4	1	6500	2500	650	3500	10	23	3	6	15	10	34	49	20	22	13	199
Cecil	3	3	1	8000	2000	.....	6500	6	21	3	4	15	17	33	45	18	21	10	187
Centreville	1	1	1	13500	2500	.....	6500	19	18	3	4	10	5	25	35	15	17	9	141
Chesapeake	3	2	1	6450	2000	.....	4505	7	20	3	4	12	9	28	40	16	18	10	160
Chestertown ...	1	1	1	30000	6000	.....	15340	20	60	9	13	38	16	90	124	52	58	30	490
Chincoteag', Va	1	1	1	2800	1200	.....	1500	2	18	3	4	10	8	25	35	15	17	9	144
Clayton, Del....	3	3	1	9000	1800	.....	6700	10	25	4	5	16	11	39	52	21	24	13	210
Concord, Pa....	3	3	1	5200	500	.....	3800	18	22	3	4	14	10	34	45	18	20	11	181
Conquest, Va...	2	2	1	4000	2500	1300	4050	6	10	3	2	6	8	16	22	9	10	5	91
Crisfield:	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Crisfield.	1	1	1	35000	2500	500	13500	23	45	7	9	28	42	66	90	38	42	23	390
Lawsonia.....	1	1	1	3500	1000	500	2090	2	10	3	2	6	6	16	22	9	10	5	89
Mariners	1	1	1	6000	1200	349	4000	6	20	3	4	12	9	28	40	16	18	10	160
Crumpton	1	1	1	4800	1000	.....	3100	5	15	2	2	10	5	24	31	14	14	8	125
Cumberland	1	1	1	15450	5000	3400	11000	21	25	4	5	16	12	39	52	21	24	13	211
Cumberland Ct.	3	3	...	3500	.....	45	2400	2	10	3	2	6	11	14	20	8	9	5	88
Deer Creek.....	2	2	1	4200	1800	.....	3300	15	12	3	3	8	10	19	28	11	12	6	112
Deer Park.....	4	4	1	7356	1600	.....	6500	7	19	3	4	9	21	24	35	14	15	10	154

PROPERTY AND ASSESSMENTS

CHARGE	PROPERTY.							ASSESSMENTS 1912-13											
	Appointments.	Churches.	Parsonages.	Value of Church Property.	Value of Parsonage Property.	Debt on Church and Parsonage.	Insurance on Church and Parsonage Property.	Church Papers Taken.	President.	Conference.	Ministerial Education.	Seminary.	College.	Superannuates.	Church Extension.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Church Home.	Total.
Delmar, Del.....	1	1	1	7000	2500	4900	8250	10	19	3	4	9	14	24	35	14	15	10	147
Delta, Pa.....	1	1	1	6000	3000	617	6000	11	20	3	4	12	12	23	40	16	18	10	163
Denton.....	1	1	1	6000	2500	.....	4500	12	24	3	4	15	19	37	47	20	22	12	203
Dorchester.....	4	4	1	6000	1500	.....	6000	21	25	4	5	16	10	39	52	21	24	13	209
Dover, Del.....	1	1	1	7000	3200	2000	2675	1	10	3	2	6	5	16	22	9	10	5	88
Easton.....	1	1	1	15000	2000	400	12885	19	43	7	7	26	9	64	87	35	40	22	340
Elizabeth, N. J..	1	1	1	16500	5500	5700	14300	8	40	6	7	25	19	64	86	35	40	21	343
Fairfax, Va.....	4	4	1	5000	1800	357	5000	5	12	3	3	8	10	19	28	11	12	6	112
Fawn Grove, Pa.	2	2	1	20000	1000	.....	7000	12	22	4	5	14	12	32	44	15	20	11	179
Federalsburg ...	1	1	1	10000	2000	800	4400	13	12	3	3	8	7	19	28	11	12	6	109
Felton, Del.....	3	3	1	3500	2000	676	4000	2	12	3	3	8	8	19	28	11	12	6	110
Finksburg.....	4	4	1	20000	2200	800	11000	23	25	4	5	16	19	39	52	21	24	13	218
1st Ch'h, Newark, N.J.	1	1	1	90000	10000	12500	48500	14	60	7	13	38	36	88	120	50	55	30	497
Fraklinn C'y, Va	4	4	1	7000	1000	200	3100	11	23	3	5	15	0	38	50	20	22	12	208
Frederica, Del..	1	1	...	1500	.....	.....	.....	...	2	1	1	1	...	2	6	1	1	1	16
Frederick.....	4	4	1	6800	1600	.....	4700	16	22	4	5	14	25	34	47	19	21	11	202
Geo'town, Del.	1	1	1	9000	6000	4135	8000	6	20	3	4	12	10	28	40	16	18	10	161
Geo'town Cir't	3	3	...	3500	...	...	2100	3	12	3	3	8	5	19	28	11	12	6	107
Greensboro.....	1	1	1	3000	1900	1000	2400	3	10	3	2	6	3	16	22	9	10	5	86
Greenwood, Del	3	3	1	10000	2000	.....	9800	16	22	4	5	14	19	34	47	19	22	11	197
Grove.....	4	4	1	5000	800	.....	.....	...	15	2	2	10	13	24	31	14	14	8	133
Harbeson, Del..	3	3	1	3200	1300	.....	1000	3	8	1	2	4	13	11	17	7	9	4	76
Harpers F'y, W. Va	2	2	...	6000	500	.....	2600	3	18	3	4	10	6	25	35	15	17	8	142
Harrington Del.	1	1	1	15000	1675	.....	4931	16	22	3	4	13	12	35	48	18	20	11	186
Howard.....	4	3	1	12000	3100	...	9700	44	22	4	5	14	15	34	47	19	22	11	193
Hurlock.....	3	3	1	7700	1500	1100	4900	8	12	3	3	8	9	19	28	11	12	6	111
Indian River...	1	1	...	500	.....	.....	.....	2	5	1	2	4	4	9	14	5	6	3	53
Kempton.....	5	5	1	10000	1200	.....	8200	46	30	5	9	23	17	47	64	26	30	15	266
Kennedyville...	1	1	1	4750	1200	.....	4000	15	16	3	4	10	5	22	31	12	15	8	126
Kent Island ...	2	1	1	7200	1800	52	1200	13	20	3	4	12	5	32	45	17	20	10	168
Laurel, Del....	1	1	1	25000	6000	13000	10600	19	32	7	7	21	17	49	68	28	29	16	274
Laurel Circuit..	4	4	1	5000	3000	339	4200	7	25	4	5	16	15	39	52	21	24	13	214
Leeds.....	2	2	1	7500	2500	120	6875	8	20	3	4	12	6	28	40	16	18	10	157
Leipsic.....	1	1	1	3000	.....	.....	2500	...	6	1	2	4	5	9	15	5	6	3	56
Lewes, Del.....	1	1	...	4000	300	.....	2800	1	8	1	2	4	6	9	15	5	6	4	60
Lewistown.....	3	3	1	2500	1200	700	2600	...	8	1	2	4	10	9	15	5	6	4	64
Liberty.....	3	3	1	7000	2000	.....	5200	10	20	3	4	12	10	28	40	16	18	10	161
Lisbon.....	5	5	1	8500	4700	2654	9170	19	25	4	5	16	19	39	52	21	24	13	218
Lynchburg, Va.	2	2	1	23700	5000	700	8000	10	25	4	5	16	12	39	52	21	24	13	211
Mardela.....	4	4	1	6500	1000	200	2000	14	19	3	5	13	16	28	37	14	18	9	162
Marley.....	3	3	...	5200	.....	.....	2800	11	15	3	2	8	11	20	28	12	12	8	119
Middleway, W. Va	1	1	1	1000	550	.....	500	1	10	3	2	6	2	16	22	9	10	5	85
Milford, Del....	2	2	...	20000	.....	8000	10000	22	21	3	5	13	22	29	41	18	21	10	183
Milton, Del.....	1	1	1	3200	1500	.....	2300	5	17	3	4	10	7	24	32	14	16	9	136
Mt. Nebo.....	3	3	1	4500	2000	.....	5000	6	18	3	4	12	10	25	37	15	16	19	149
New Church Va	3	3	1	8500	2200	.....	3000	22	18	3	4	10	14	25	36	15	17	9	151
Newmarket	4	4	1	12000	2000	.....	9000	10	30	5	9	23	18	47	64	26	30	15	267
Nichols Memo'l	3	3	2	9500	2400	3200	1200	4	6	1	2	4	4	9	15	5	6	3	55
Northumberl'd.	5	5	1	14000	1600	.....	1000	14	28	5	6	19	6	44	62	24	28	14	236
Oak Grove.....	1	1	1	2500	1000	75	1700	4	13	2	3	9	4	21	29	12	13	7	113
Oxford.....	1	1	1	4000	2500	300	3300	21	22	4	5	14	12	34	47	19	22	11	190

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CHARGE	PROPERTY.								ASSESSMENTS 1912-13											
	Appointments.	Churches.	Parsonage.	Value of Church Pro- perty.	Value of Parsonage Property.	Debt on Church and Parsonage.	Insurance on Church and Parsonage Pro- perty.	Church Papers Taken	President.	Conference.	Ministerial Education.	Seminary.	College.	Superannuates.	Church Extension.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Church Home	Total.	
Parksley, Va.....	2	2	1	21000	2500	8000	10000	...	24	4	5	15	25	36	50	19	21	12	211	
Patapsco	1	1	...	1000	.....	250	900	...	3	1	1	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	15
Philadelphia:	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
St. Lukes.....	1	1	1	55000	7000	15000	23000	16	20	3	4	16	18	28	40	16	18	10	173	
Taylor Mem'l	2	2	...	20000	.....	14000	13000	6	12	3	3	8	19	19	23	11	12	6	116
Pipe Creek.....	2	2	1	9000	4000	.....	.....	...	22	4	5	14	6	34	47	19	22	11	184
Pittsville	3	3	1	7000	3500	.....	4000	18	20	3	4	12	21	28	40	16	18	10	172
Pocomoke City	2	2	1	15500	3500	300	11000	24	43	4	7	26	18	64	85	35	40	22	340	
Pocomoke Cir't	4	4	1	5500	1000	.....	4000	4	18	3	4	10	19	25	35	15	17	9	155
Potomac, Va....	2	2	1	9750	1000	.....	5000	12	18	3	3	10	15	24	36	14	16	9	148
Powellville.....	3	3	1	4000	1150	.....	.....	5	15	3	2	10	4	24	32	14	14	8	126
Prince George.	2	2	...	2500	.....	.....	.....	4	8	1	2	4	6	9	15	5	6	4	60
Quantico	4	4	1	3000	900	.....	750	1	13	2	2	8	4	21	28	12	11	7	108
Queen Anne.....	2	2	1	5200	1200	30	4400	12	13	2	3	10	6	21	29	12	13	7	116	
Reliance	3	3	1	11000	1000	330	8300	12	18	3	4	10	16	25	35	15	17	9	152	
Rowlandville ...	3	3	1	6200	1400	30	6500	4	15	3	2	10	10	24	32	14	14	8	132	
Salem	1	1	1	5700	1300	834	4000	10	15	3	2	10	4	24	32	14	14	8	126	
Salisbury.....	1	1	1	12000	10000	4900	13000	32	37	5	9	23	28	52	73	29	38	19	313	
Seaford, Del.....	1	1	1	17000	2500	.....	.....	15	26	4	5	18	18	41	57	22	25	13	229
Selbyville, Del.	3	4	...	11000	.....	2770	7675	4	10	3	2	6	14	16	22	9	10	5	97
Sharptown.....	2	2	1	5800	1500	.....	3500	46	23	3	6	15	20	30	44	18	20	12	191
Snow Hill.....	2	2	1	26000	4000	.....	13000	24	22	4	5	14	11	34	47	19	22	11	189
Stewartsto'n, Pa	2	2	1	10000	1500	.....	7290	10	25	4	5	16	15	39	52	2	24	13	214
St. James.....	2	2	1	10000	2000	.....	7500	13	27	4	5	19	9	42	58	22	26	14	226
St. Michaels.....	3	3	1	12000	2030	250	9000	24	25	4	5	16	12	39	52	21	24	13	211	
Susquehanna ...	3	3	1	6500	4200	40	8500	22	25	4	5	16	10	39	52	21	24	13	209	
Talbot	2	2	...	1800	.....	.....	1000	...	12	2	3	8	5	19	27	11	12	6	105
Trinity.....	2	2	1	9000	3600	950	10000	9	27	4	5	19	8	42	58	22	26	14	225	
Union.....	4	4	1	5000	2200	600	3000	15	16	4	5	11	19	24	33	14	15	8	149	
Union Bridge...	2	2	1	9500	2500	.....	5000	14	18	3	4	10	4	25	35	15	17	9	140
Wallace Me, Va	1	1	1	1600	1200	.....	1200	13	10	2	2	5	10	14	20	8	8	5	84
Waltersville	2	2	1	4800	1700	.....	5500	9	22	3	4	14	14	34	46	19	2	11	187
Warwick	3	3	1	4800	1200	.....	4300	9	20	3	4	12	7	28	4	16	18	10	158
Washington:	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cherrydale	1	1	...	6000	.....	2790	3000	1	8	1	2	4	8	9	15	5	6	4	62
First Church	1	1	1	30000	5000	1500	15000	10	25	4	5	16	17	39	52	21	24	13	216	
Georgetown	1	1	1	20000	5000	.....	11100	31	50	6	9	32	6	76	102	44	47	25	397
Mt. Pleasant.	1	1	...	9850	.....	8200	3000	1	5	1	2	4	6	9	14	5	6	3	55
Mt. Tabor. ...	1	1	...	15000	.....	500	10500	12	22	4	5	14	6	34	47	19	22	11	184
N. C. Ave.	1	1	...	40000	500	41000	11000	14	25	4	5	16	12	39	53	21	24	13	212	
R. I. Avenue..	1	1	...	75000	.....	17500	55000	20	80	12	17	49	27	111	167	56	88	40	647
Westminster ...	1	1	1	25000	4000	.....	17300	40	55	7	12	36	10	86	116	49	54	28	453
Wilmington Del	1	1	...	5000	.....	2600	3000	5	16	3	2	8	3	20	28	12	12	8	112
W. Wilm'gt'n Del	1	1	...	4000	.....	.....	1600	1	10	3	2	6	7	16	22	9	10	5	90
Williamsport ...	3	3	...	5500	.....	50	1700	14	10	3	2	6	8	16	22	9	10	5	91
Whaleysville....	2	2	1	2600	1400	200	2600	5	6	1	2	4	22	9	15	5	3	3	73	
Wye	1	1	1	4000	2300	.....	3000	13	12	2	3	8	5	19	27	11	12	6	105
Balto. Book Con	...	...	...	22000	.....	.....	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pres. Parsonage	...	...	...	.....	6000	2500	.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
W. T. Seminary	...	...	...	30000	.....	.....	15000	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
W. M. College..	...	...	...	350000	.....	.....	100000	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Our Ch. Home.	...	...	...	13000	.....	.....	3000	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

Financial Summary

Total for General Interests

	1912	1911	Increase	Decrease
President.....	\$ 3074	\$ 3152	\$	\$ 48
Conference.....	472	469	3	
Ministerial Education	602	594		8
Seminary	1818	1837	19	
College	1445	1427	18	
Superannuates.....	4113	4173		60
Church Extension.....	5421	5539		118
Home Missions.....	2574	2230	344	
Foreign Missions.....	2906	2899	7	
Church Home.....	1449	1526		77
Special for Foreign Missions.....	7786	9657		1908
Bible	85	103		18
Tract	121	124		3
Specials.....		215		
Total	\$31,886	\$33,915	391	2240

Total for Local Interests

Pastor's Salary.....	\$99,845	\$95,915	\$3,430	
Parsonage Rent	22,246	20,983	1,263	
Current Expenses.....	40,024	38,482	1,542	
Sunday School Expenses.....	20,148	19,400	748	
Building and Improvements.....	76,640	59,653	16,987	
Paid on Debt.....	38,579	43,131		4552
Miscellaneous.....	22,573	20,565	2,008	
Total for Local Interests	319,555	296,129	25,978	4552
Total for all purposes.....	332,044	351,421	21,426	

Assessments

President	\$ 3114	\$ 3137	\$	23
Conference	517	520		3
Ministerial Education	660	665		5
Seminary	1953	1968		15
College	1708	1710		2
Superannuates.....	4635	4690		55
Church Extension.....	6443	6516		73
Home Missions.....	2600	2620		20
Foreign Missions.....	2815	2994		179
Church Home.....	1595	1584		11

E. H JONES,
Conference Steward.

Statistical Summary

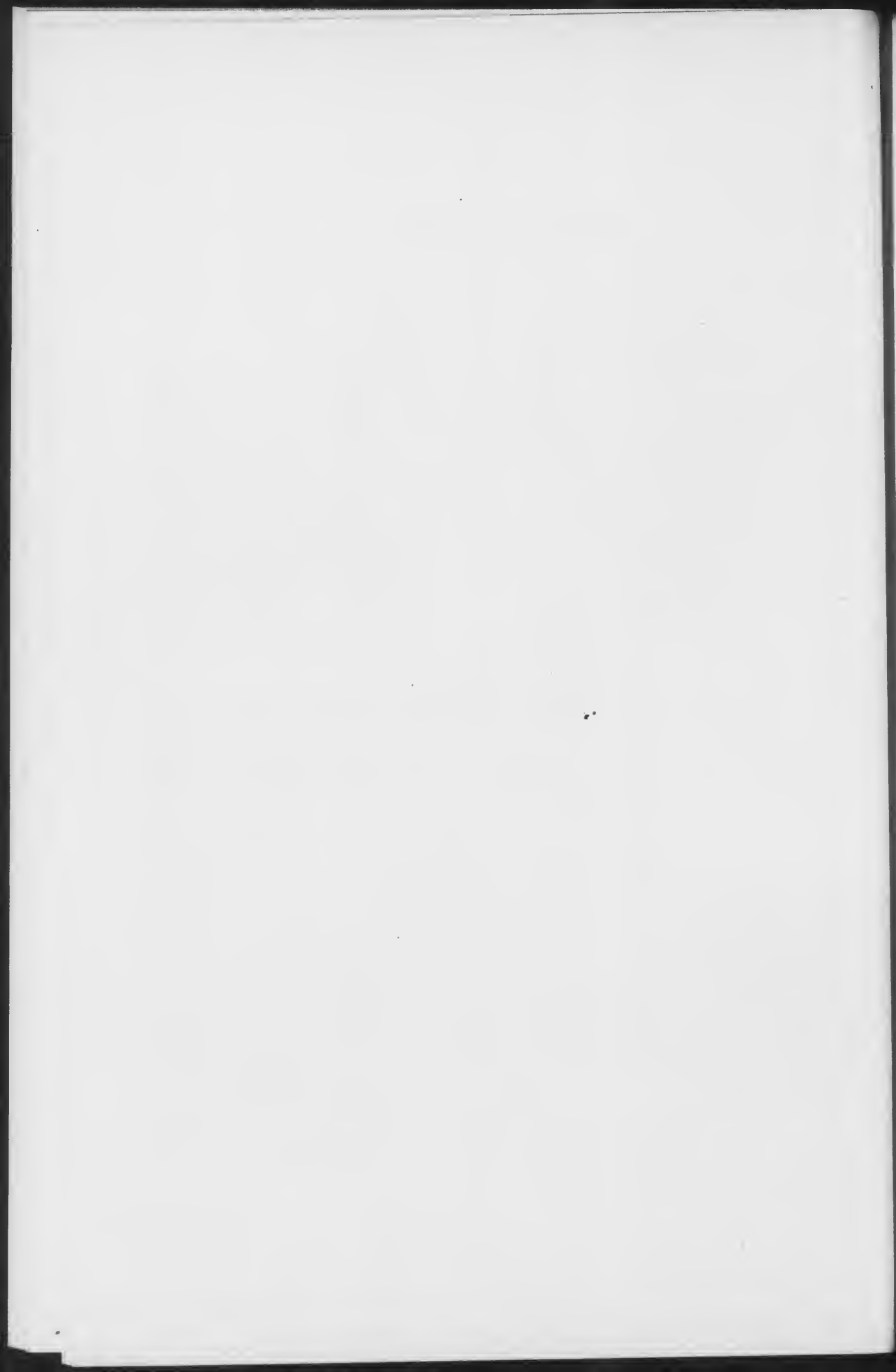
Membership

	1912	1911	Increase	Decrease
Ministers and Preachers.....	143	144		1
Unstationed Ministers and Preachers	57	65		8
Probationers	1104	1568		464
Full Members	28437	28018	419	
Probationers Received.....	872	1363		491
Probationers Elected to Membership.....	915	724	191	
Probationers Withdrawn.....	19	9	10	
Probationers Discontinued	292	265	27	
Probationers Deceased	9	10		1
Full Members Received.....	2186	1996	190	
Full Members Withdrawn	431	333	98	
Full Members Discontinued.....	1019	912	107	
Full Members Deceased.....	317	304	13	
Adults Baptized	532	286	246	
Children Baptized	1312	1557		245
Conversions.....	2254	3077		823
Sunday Schools	285	283	2	
Sunday School Officers and Teachers	3695	3691	4	
New Scholars	4039	4160		121
Sunday School Scholars on Roll.....	30512	30501	11	
Y. P. S. C. E.....	137	131	6	
Y. P. S. C. E. Members.....	5599	5363	236	
Junior C. E. Societies	69	75		6
Junior C. E. Members	2623	3019		496
Amount Contributed by both C. E. and Junior } Societies for Foreign Missions..... }	\$ 884	\$ 1104		220

Property

Appointments	294	291	3	
Churches	294½	300½		6
Parsonages	119	114	5	
Value of Church Property.....	2287006	2195000	92006	
Value of Parsonage Property	323075	301375	21700	
Debt on Churches and Parsonages.....	242513	215863	26710	
Insurance on Churches and Parsonages.....	1120949	1090286	30663	
Subscribers to The Methodist Protestant.....	1627	1805		178

E. L. BUNCE,
Committee on Statistics.



MANUAL

Rules of Order and Regulations for the

Government of the Maryland Annual Conference.

Rule I. ORGANIZATION OF CONFERENCE. 1. Conference shall convene in Annual session on the first Wednesday in April, except in such years as Easter falls on the Sunday immediately following the first Wednesday, when it shall convene on the Wednesday following Easter.

2. The Pastor shall send to the Secretary of the Annual Conference the certificate of election of the delegate or delegates to the Annual Conference immediately after the election of the same. He shall also send the name to the President of the Conference and to the pastor of the Church where the Conference is held.

3. The Secretary shall make a list of the delegates so certified, omitting all contested cases; and this list, together with the list of the ministerial members, shall constitute the roll of Conference upon which the Conference shall organize.

4. The churches shall be assessed in a sum sufficient to meet the incidental expenses of the Conference, including the publication of the Minutes—each church receiving Minutes in proportion to the amount contributed.

Rule II. OFFICERS OF THE CONFERENCE. Duties of the President:—1. To take the chair precisely at the hour agreed on at the last adjournment.

2. See that the business of the Conference shall proceed according to these Rules of Order and other Rules and Regulations adopted by the Conference.

3. Shall decide all questions of order, subject to an appeal to the Conference.

4. Preserve the most rigid order, and confine the members to the subject under consideration.

5. Not allow improper personalities nor reflections upon any religious communities.

6. Announce each person rising to speak as soon as he shall have addressed the chair by declaring him "The minister from —," or "The delegate from —."

7. State a question sitting, but stand when the question is put and taken; also when he states a point of order, and also when he makes any formal communication to the Conference.

8. Is not allowed to vote when a question is taken unless there be a tie, but he may vote in case of ballot.

9. May call any member to the chair when he wishes to participate in debate or for other purposes, but such person shall not be entitled to the chair after adjournment.

10. The office of stationing the ministers and preachers is committed to the hands of the President of the Conference.

11. It shall be the duty of the President to fill blanks in statistical reports for all charges unsupplied.

12. In the event of the death of any ministerial member or his wife or widow, the President shall immediately appoint an Obituary Committee from any number of the most intimate acquaintances of the deceased.

13. The failure of the President to visit any charge does not vitiate his right to the amount assessed for his salary.

14. The President shall represent the general interests of the Conference, and shall present their claims in such a manner and at such times as in his judgment may be necessary. And he shall use his utmost efforts with the Quarterly Conferences of the various charges to secure a salary of not less than \$600 for the minister with family, appointed as pastor, who has itinerated five years within the bounds of the Maryland Conference, and he shall urge upon the various charges the prompt payment of the salaries of the pastors, and upon all the churches the importance of being incorporated.

Rule III. Duties of the Secretary:—1. To perform such duties as are usually required of the Secretary of a deliberative body.

2. Should the President not be in place at the hour of meeting the Secretary, or in his absence one of his assistants, shall announce the fact, and the Conference shall elect a chairman "pro tempore" and proceed to business.

3. Have charge of all the papers belonging to the Conference and be accountable for them.

4. Be in his place precisely at the hour agreed on at the last adjournment.

5. Keep an accurate list of members of the Conference, and be the Committee on Credentials.

6. Keep correct minutes of the proceedings of the Conference, including all written resolutions, whether adopted or rejected, and the mover and seconder of such written resolutions.

7. Keep a list of business, on which he shall record all business brought before the Conference and in the order of its presentation.

8. Keep a list of committees, on which he shall record: First, the standing committees in the order of their arrangement in these rules, and second, all other committees that may be appointed, and in the order of their appointment.

9. Keep a correct list of the Circuits and Stations, to be used as occasion may require.

10. Report to the Conference any unfinished business of the preceding annual session.

11. Be the Committee on the Publication and distribution of the Minutes.

12. Supply the pastors with blanks, and send blank personal report blanks to all ministers who are not pastors, on which they are to state the relation to the Conference they desire for the ensuing year.

13. He shall have a printed record of the Minutes duly certified by himself, which shall be considered the Official Minutes of the Conference, substantially bound every quadrennium, and include in each volume a copy of the General Conference Journal.

14. Be the Committee on Transportation.

Rule IV. Duties of Steward and Treasurer:—1. The Conference Steward and the Treasurer shall constitute the Board of Stewards, to whom the Secretary shall hand all reports and collections as received from the pastors; and this Board shall be responsible to the Conference for all money and receipts and vouchers delivered to them.

2. They shall meet on Thursday morning at 10:00 o'clock and open the pastors' envelopes containing the reports and collections; shall deliver the various parts of the reports as designated; shall count the money in the envelopes, noting its agreement with the statement of the Pastor's Financial Report, and prepare the collections for the Conference. The money in hand shall be passed by the Treasurer, who shall have charge of all the moneys of the Conference for distribution, upon order of the Conference Steward, which shall be the voucher of the Treasurer for his transactions, to the persons designated by the Conference to receive them. The Treasurer shall disburse money collected by the Conference for every purpose; in which transactions he shall perform the work assigned heretofore to the Superannuated Fund Steward and of the Church Extension Steward, as per special rules of each Society, and he shall continue in office until his successor shall be elected. He shall keep a ledger and open account with some accepted bank, and his accounts shall be open for inspection at all times to the President of the Conference, or one designated by him.

3. Other duties belonging to the several Stewards shall be performed and reported upon separately as now.

Rule V. COMMITTEES. All committees shall be appointed by the President, except when otherwise directed in the Book of Discipline, or by special vote of the Conference.

2. **The Standing Committees shall be:**—1. Board of Finance—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen, one of each order being members not on the Committee the previous year.

2. Itinerancy and Orders—The Faculty of Instruction.
3. Pulpit Service—3 Ministers.
4. Church Extension—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
5. Superannuates—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
6. Literature and Education—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
7. Young People's Work—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
8. Moral Reform—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
9. Benevolent Agencies—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
10. Official Relations—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
11. Statistics—1 Minister, 1 Layman.
12. Obituaries—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen. This Committee not to be appointed until the death of some minister requires it.
13. Missions—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
14. President's Report—2 Ministers, 2 Laymen.
15. Church Enterprises—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.
16. Conference Program for the following session—3 Ministers (one of whom shall be the President), 3 Laymen.
17. Appointees on the Executive Committee of Union of Young People's Work—3 Ministers (one of whom shall be the President), 2 Laymen.
18. Our Church Home—3 Ministers, 3 Laymen.

3. Any person being a member of two committees shall have the right to decline an appointment to another.

4. When there are present Fraternal Messengers and other visitors to whom the courtesy of formal recognition is due, the Chairman of the Committee on Official Relations shall quietly inform the President, whereupon the President may request the visitors to be brought to him, to be by him introduced to the Conference, either at that time or when the state of business may with more propriety be arrested.

5. The Committee on Official Relations shall read as a part of their report an "Honor Roll" of the charges which pay their assessments in full.

Rule VI. ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR THE ANNUAL SESSION:—

1. At 9 o'clock A. M., on the day to which the Conference adjourned from the last annual session, the President shall open the Conference by reading a portion of the Word of God, singing and prayer.

2. Examination of the President. The President shall call another minister to the chair and read his annual report. The chairman shall then address the Conference thus: "Brethren, you have heard the report of the President; shall his character pass?" In case of any charge against the official character of the President, it shall be handed to the Standing District Committee; and the chairman of that committee shall answer the question: "Shall his character pass?"

3. The Roll shall then be called, the Secretary reporting the names of absentees. In the event of the death of any member of this Conference, the chairman, or in his absence some member, of his Obituary Committee shall formally announce the fact to the Conference, and such announcement shall be made when the name of the deceased is reached in the calling of the Conference Roll, and the same shall then, on motion, be transferred to the Dead Roll by the Secretary.

4. At 10.30 o'clock on the first day of each session of the Annual Conference the President, or his substitute, shall preach a sermon, followed by the Lord's Supper. The President shall appoint some one to preach the Ordination Sermon at 11 A. M. on Sunday. The time for holding Memorial Services for deceased members of the Conference shall be determined by the Conference Program Committee.

5. At 2.30 o'clock P. M. on the first day of the session, the officers of the Conference shall be elected by ballot as follows: 1. President. 2. Secretary. 3. Steward. 4. Treasurer. The Steward and Treasurer elected at one session shall serve at the following session, and they shall appoint two assistants with the approval of the Conference. 5. Standing District Committee, consisting of three ministers and three laymen. 6. Committee on Appeals, three ministers and three laymen.

6. Examination of Official Character. At 10.00 o'clock Thursday morning the roll shall be called and the pastors shall deposit their reports, and the collections prescribed by the Conference, each in a sealed envelope, upon which shall be marked the amount, the name of the collection, the name of the pastor and the name of the charge in the box of the Conference Steward. The reports and charges against official character shall be handed to the Committee on Official Relations.

7. The sessions of Friday and Saturday shall end at noon, that the Committees may have time for their work, and that the President may have opportunity to interview delegates and ministers.

Rule VII. ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR THE DAILY SESSIONS:—

1. On each day following the opening session there shall be held a devotional service lasting thirty minutes, beginning at 9:00 o'clock A. M.

2. Reading of Minutes of the preceding day for correction and adoption.

3. Calling of the roll of charges in alphabetical order, for the presentation of any business by delegates or pastors from the churches they represent. When any such, upon recognition of the Chair, shall present any business it shall be recorded without debate on the list of business, or referred to the proper committee without motion.

4. Call for reports from Boards, Institutions and Societies, and communications, which shall be put upon the Secretary's desk to be taken up in regular order, or made the order of the day.

5. Reports of standing and special committees called for in order, and they shall be handed to the Secretary to be read by him. They shall not report at any other time without special leave.

6. Miscellaneous business.

7. When any business is laid before the Conference it may be made the order of the day for any other day of the session and at a specific hour.

8. Unfinished business from the last annual session shall have precedence of all business except the order of the day.

9. Ordinary business shall have precedence in the order in which it stands on the List of Business.

10. When any business is taken into consideration it shall not be interrupted by any other business except the order of the day or by adjournment.

Rule VIII. DECORUM:—1. When a member desires to present any business, or to speak to any question, he shall arise and address the Chair, "Brother President," and then pause until he is announced to the Conference, after which he may proceed addressing the chair, and restricting his remarks to the subject before the Conference.

2. If two or more members rise at the same time, the President shall determine which of them is entitled to the floor.

3. No interruption shall be allowed while a member is addressing the chair, except a call to order by the President or by a member.

4. When a member is called to order he shall take his seat immediately, and be silent, until the President or member who made the call shall state the rule of order supposed to be infringed; after which the member called to order shall have the right to explain, and the President shall decide.

5. In deciding a question of order the President shall restrict himself to the rules of order, and any member declared to be out of order by the President may, if he obtain a second, appeal to the Conference. The question on such appeal shall be taken without debate, but the appellant may state the ground of his appeal. If the Conference sustains the chair, the member shall be allowed to proceed only in order.

6. No member shall speak oftener than twice to the same question, without special leave of the Conference, nor longer than fifteen minutes at any one time, unless by the same special permission.

7. Any member shall have the right to call for the reading of the subject under consideration.

8. Every member shall report at roll call of the first day's session, and be present at the daily sessions of Conference.

Rule IX. MOTIONS:—1. Every motion shall be written, signed and read aloud by the mover, handed to the chair and read aloud by the Secretary, before any order can be taken upon it by the Conference; except motions for amendment, to lie on the table, the previous question, or to adjourn.

2. Any motion may be divided, if the sense will admit of the proposed division.

3. When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received, but to adjourn, to lie on the table, for the previous question, to commit, to substitute, to amend, or to make the order of the day; which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they stand in this rule; the first three to be taken without debate; and the first always in order. But when the report of a committee has been under discussion, the motion to lay on the table shall not prevail until the chairman of the committee shall have been heard once on the subject, if he desires to speak.

4. It shall be in order to move the previous question, or that the question be taken without further debate on any measure pending—except in cases in which character is involved—and if sustained by two-thirds of members present the question shall be taken. It shall not be in order for a member to move the previous question or to move to lay on the table at the close of his speech in which the pending question has been discussed.

5. When motions are made for reference of the same subject to a select committee, and to a standing committee, the question on reference to the standing committee shall be first put.

6. No motion to commit, or to lie on the table, being decided, shall be again allowed, on the same day, at the same stage of the proposition.

7. A motion, after it is seconded, is the property of the Conference, and the mover has no power to withdraw or have it amended, without leave.

8. No amendment shall be in order, further than an amendment to the amendment; but it shall be in order to move a substitute for the main question, and one amendment to the substitute, and if a substitute is accepted it shall replace the original proposition.

9. All motions to fix the place of the meeting of the Annual Conference shall lie on the table twenty-four hours.

Rule X. VOTING:—1. Every member who is within the bar at the time a question is being put shall vote, unless the Conference for a special reason shall excuse him.

2. No member shall be allowed to vote on any question, who is not within the bar at the time when such question shall be put by the President, except by leave of Conference, or when such member has been necessarily absent.

3. Votes for all Conference officers and the Committees on Appeal and Standing District shall be by ballot. Otherwise, voting shall be by yeas and nays; but a division of the house being called a count vote shall be taken, members rising in their places and standing until they shall have been counted.

4. A member may change his vote at any time before the chair announces the decision of the question.

5. Blank ballots shall not be counted.

6. Ayes and nays, and a vote by orders shall be as prescribed in the Discipline.

Rule XI. AMENDING RULES AND REGULATIONS. All motions or resolutions, whether submitted by committees or individual members, contemplating an amendment to these Rules and Regulations, must so specify. Otherwise, such action shall not be binding upon any other session of the Conference than that at which the same is passed.

REGULATIONS

Regulation I. DUTIES OF PASTORS. 1. The pastor shall seek the co-operation of the Stewards in collecting the assessments made by the Annual Conference, admonishing them of their duty in this matter as contained in the Discipline, under head of "Duties of Stewards", pp. 129, Sec. 7.

2. It is the duty of pastors to examine and see that suitable deeds be had for all churches, so as to secure them to the Methodist Protestant Church, and, whenever possible, have them incorporated.

3. Pastors are required to apportion the President's salary equitably among the several appointments, and use their utmost endeavors to collect the same before the annual visit of the President.

4. Pastors are required to see that the families belonging to their respective charges are duly supplied with the Catechism of our Church.

5. Pastors are instructed to ascertain of those received into the Church whether they have been baptized, and if not, to administer the ordinance of baptism without unnecessary delay.

6. Every pastor is required to do his utmost to collect the full amount of the assessments made upon his charge, whatever may be the difficulties that he may encounter.

7. It is the duty of the pastor to preside on the trial of an accused unstationed Minister or Preacher.

8. Pastors are required to report to the Annual Conference the amounts contributed to Foreign Missions by the auxiliaries of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies, and due credit shall be given the Minutes.

9. Pastors, when changing appointments, shall hand to their successors a plan of the work of the charge.

10. Station and Circuit Stewards shall furnish the pastor with a sufficient number of Disciplines, that he may be able to present each new member with a copy, in compliance with Disciplinary law.

Regulation II. SUFFRAGE AND ELIGIBILITY. 1. Every minister, preacher and member in full communion and fellowship having attained the age of twenty-one years shall be entitled to vote in all cases.

2. All members in full communion and fellowship shall have the right to vote in the election of their class-leaders; and those who have attained the age of twenty-one years shall be "qualified members" for the purpose indicated in Section 2 of Article IV of the Constitution, and in division 1 and 4 of "General Duties of Trustees," found on pages 114 and 115 of Discipline.

3. Every minister, preacher, and lay male member in full communion and fellowship having attained the age of twenty-five years shall be eligible as a representative in the General Conference.

4. Every member in full communion and fellowship having attained the age of twenty-one years shall be eligible as a Steward, Class-leader and Sunday-school Superintendent; and every male member in full communion and fellowship having attained the age of twenty-one years shall be eligible as a Trustee and a Delegate to the Annual Conference.

5. No minister shall be eligible to the office of President of the Annual Conference until he shall have faithfully exercised the office of Elder two years.

6. The Conference strongly disapproves the secret ballot for the removal or return of the pastor, and condemns the complimentary vote that asks for the pastor's return in the public meeting and seeks his removal at the Annual Conference.

Regulation III. THE PRESIDENT'S PARSONAGE. 1. The Conference endorses the action of the Committee in the purchase of the property, No. 1420 Linden Ave., Baltimore, as the President's parsonage.

2. The assessment of \$3,000 shall be continued under the name of "President's Salary," to be appropriated as follows: Seventy-five per cent. of the amount raised to be paid to the President as his salary and traveling expenses. Twenty-five per cent. of the amount raised to be paid to the Agent of the President's parsonage, who shall pay out of this amount, first, the interest on the purchase money; second, the water rent, insurance and needful repairs of the property; third, the reduction of the principal of the loan.

Regulation IV. RECORDS OF TRIAL CASES. In all cases of the trial of a minister, the Secretary of the Trial Committee shall make a correct record of the proceedings of the trial, and turn the same over to the Secretary of the Conference, together with a copy of the charges, and specifications, a copy of the finding, or verdict of the Committee—and all other documentary evidence used in the trial, to be kept by the Secretary among the records of the Conference.

Regulation V. WITHOUT APPOINTMENT AND SUPERNUMERARY REQUESTS. All requests to be left without an appointment for the ensuing year, or for a supernumerary relation, shall be referred by the Conference to the Committee on Official Relations for consideration and report thereon before such requests shall be granted.

Regulation VI. SABBATH SCHOOLS. 1. As a preparation for more efficient study and teaching of the Word, teachers' meetings should be steadily held under the direction of the pastor or superintendent.

2. Pastors are directed to carry out the Disciplinary regulations concerning the organization of our Sabbath Schools into Foreign Missionary Societies and the taking of a collection every quarter for Foreign Missions.

3. Children's Day shall be faithfully observed by all our Sabbath Schools, and the money received on that day shall be exclusively devoted to the Children's Day offering for Foreign Missions.

Regulation VII. OUR CHURCH HOME. 1. Every charge shall appoint a lady visitor for the benefit of Our Church Home, consistent with the character of that institution.

2. The list of charges failing to meet the requirement of the Conference relative to Our Church Home shall be read at each session of the Conference.

3. The second Sunday of November of each year shall be known as "Donation Day" for Our Church Home, and all our pastors are instructed to call the attention of their congregations thereto, and an endeavor made to have donations of provisions, groceries, and things needed to conduct the Home, sent to Mrs. E. O. Grimes, Westminster, Md.

Regulation VIII. ADMINISTERING ORDINANCES. No person, in virtue merely of a license to preach, or even election to orders, is empowered to administer or assist in administering the Christian ordinances.

Regulation IX. UNSTATIONED MINISTERS. The Conference will not recognize as a minister of the Methodist Protestant Church any man who does not bring credentials from some other orthodox denomination, or who has not received suitable testimonials of ministerial character from our own Church. In returning the list of ministers and preachers, pastors shall name no person who does not possess the foregoing qualifications.

Regulation X. LOTTERIES. The practice of raising funds for church purposes, by means of lotteries and other games of hazard is disapproved by the Conference, and pastors are enjoined to discountenance their use.

Regulation XI. MORTGAGING CHURCH PROPERTY. The placing of mortgage upon church property, for the purpose, directly or indirectly, of paying the pastor's salary, is, so far as it has authority, disallowed by the Conference.

Regulation XII. OBITUARIES. 1. It shall be the duty of the Committee, appointed in accordance with the Rule of Conference, to prepare an obituary, without delay, containing a notice of the place and date of the

birth of the brother, the date of his conversion, receiving license to preach, and his reception into the Conference, together with any other important facts connected with his history which their judgment may dictate, in addition to the particulars of his death, and said obituary shall at once be forwarded to the "Methodist Protestant" for publication, and be reported to the ensuing session of Conference.

2. Every ministerial member of this Conference is hereby requested to make and keep by him a record of his nativity, and of all the prominent acts in his Christian and ministerial history.

3. The obituaries of wives and widows of the ministerial members of the Conference shall also be published in the **Minutes**.

Regulation XIII. MARRIAGES. The Conference cannot encourage any of its members to expect support as married men until they shall have served at least four years in the itinerancy.

Regulation XIV. TITLES AND DEGREES. Inasmuch as the degree of Doctor of Philosophy is the badge of University work and most rigid examinations—a degree which our better Colleges refuse to confer, and Universities do not confer for honor, but only for merit in advanced special studies—we feel sure no worthy institution would confer such a title for work done by correspondence, and the man who consents to bear a title so conferred subjects himself to the ridicule of scholars and involves the ministry in a charge of vanity and insincerity. Therefore, this Conference expresses its disapproval of this method of obtaining degrees, and declines to recognize in any way a title so obtained.

Regulation XV. UNFERMENTED WINE. The Conference recommends the use of unfermented wine in the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

Regulation XVI. DROPPING MEMBERS. Persons whose names are on the church register and cannot be found, or who have ceased to take an interest in the church, may be dropped from the record by a vote of the church; provided further, that in stations these changes may be made by the Quarterly Conference.

Regulation XVII. PASTORS' MOVING EXPENSES. As the Discipline grants the Annual Conference the right to "make such regulations as may be necessary to defray the expenses of the ministers and preachers," it is the judgment of this Conference that the charge to which a minister or preacher is assigned should pay the moving expenses of the incoming pastor.

Regulation XVIII. CAMP-MEETINGS. 1. Camp-meetings shall have the sanction of Conference and receive ministerial aid from it on the following conditions:—

2. There shall be no traffic on the Lord's Day on the camp-ground or the adjacent territory protected by the laws of the State.

3. The managers or other officers of the camp-meeting shall not bargain for or receive any portion of the money paid to railroads, or to the owner or owners of any conveyance or conveyances, as a consideration for conveying persons to the camp-ground, or the vicinity thereof, on the Lord's day.

4. No advertisement of the running of trains on the Lord's day shall be made by any of the persons referred to in the preceding paragraph, nor shall anything be done by their authority or solicitation to contravene the foregoing regulations.

5. Upon receiving from a quarterly conference a request for ministerial supply and a pledge that the above regulations will be faithfully observed, the President of the Annual Conference shall appoint members of this Conference to assist in conducting the camp-meeting.

6. In the absence of a request and a pledge such as are named above, the President shall not appoint such ministerial supply, nor shall any member of this Conference conduct such camp-meeting as pastor.

7. Appointees to camp-meeting service must be given four weeks' notice of their appointment. If they find it inconvenient to attend they shall promptly present their excuse to the President. If the President declines to revoke their appointment, a failure to attend shall be reported to this Conference by the President.

Regulation XIX. ELECTION OF DELEGATES. This Conference recognizes and emphasizes the Disciplinary law (pages 69-70, 1908 edition) for the election of delegates to the Annual Conferences, which prohibits a pastor presiding at such elections. Further, when the delegate is elected by the qualified members of the several churches of a circuit under the direction of the stewards, the pastor shall sign the certificates as Chairman of the Quarterly Conference.

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